

Giant double phase liquid argon TPCs: from R&D to LBNO

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In just over a decade, we have learned a lot about neutrino oscillations - measured 2 mass splittings and 3 mixing angles.

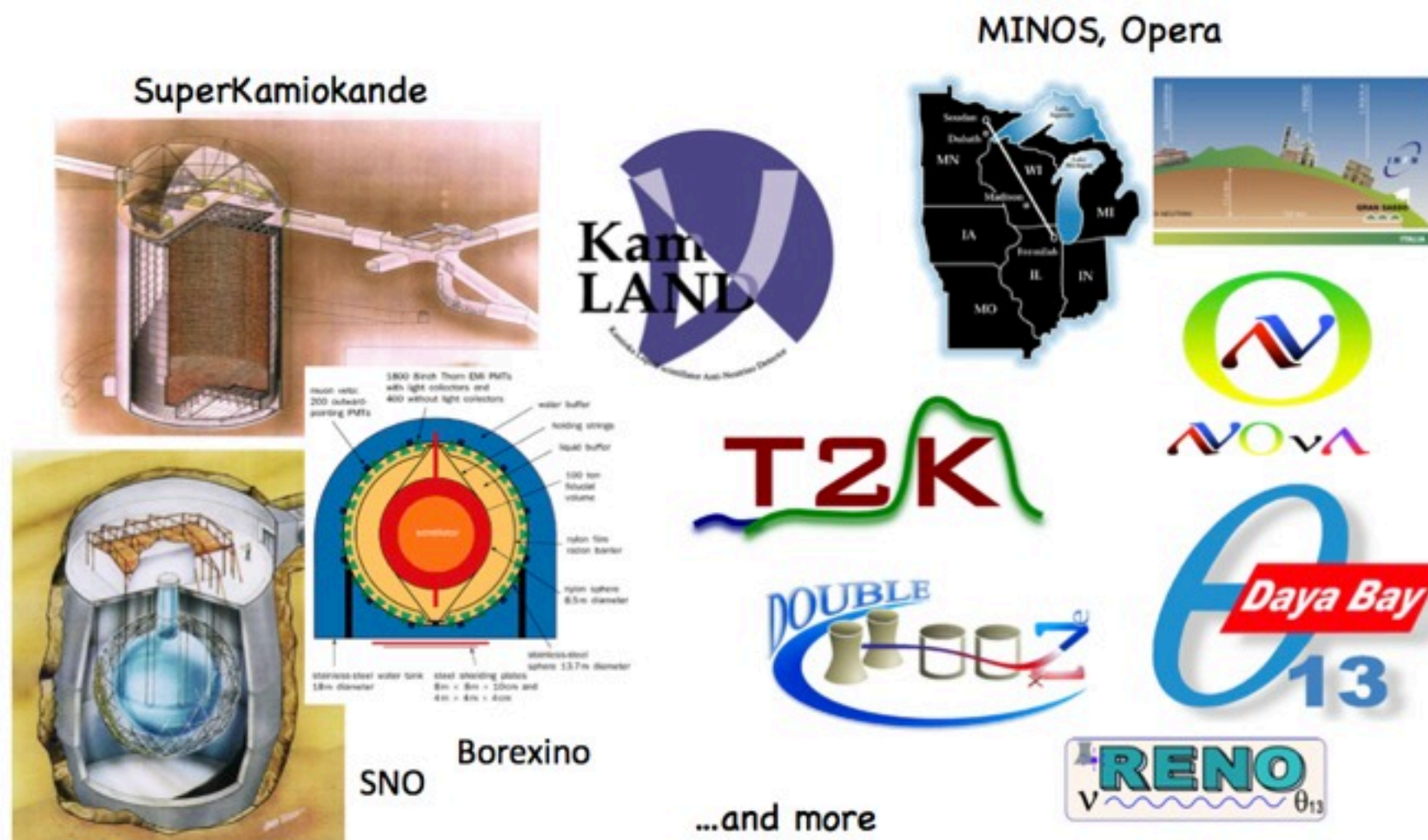
Future questions to answer about oscillations:

- * Why are neutrino masses so small ?
- * Which is the absolute mass of the lightest state?
- * Are there more neutrinos than the 3 active flavors?
- * P, CP, CPT are fundamental symmetries. “P is maximally violated by neutrinos but CP is saved” (W. Pauli). **Is CP violated by neutrinos as well or is it a special feature of quarks ?**
- * **How is the hierarchy of the neutrino mass eigenstates?**
- * Are neutrinos Majorana particles?
- * is θ_{23} maximal?



*A rich and varied experimental neutrino oscillation program

A decade of revolutionary experiments have unraveled a new flavor sector



*Equally as important but not discussed here:

- Experiments at end-point of single beta decays aimed at measuring the absolute neutrino mass (KATRIN) and new searches for neutrino-less double beta decays to test Majorana nature of neutrinos (CUORE, EXO, GERDA, Kamland-Zen, Majorana, NEMO, NEXT, SNO+, ...)
- Cosmological observations

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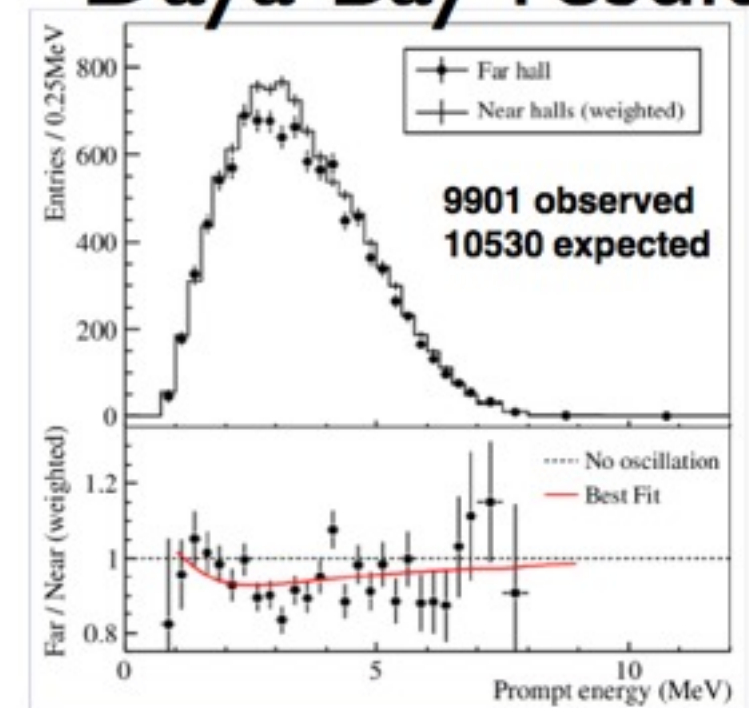
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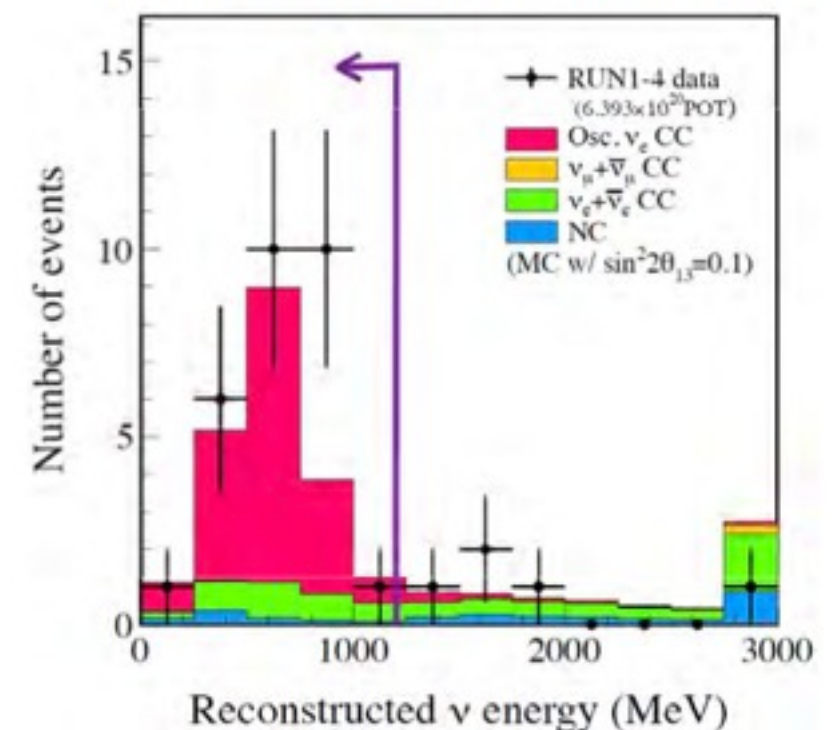
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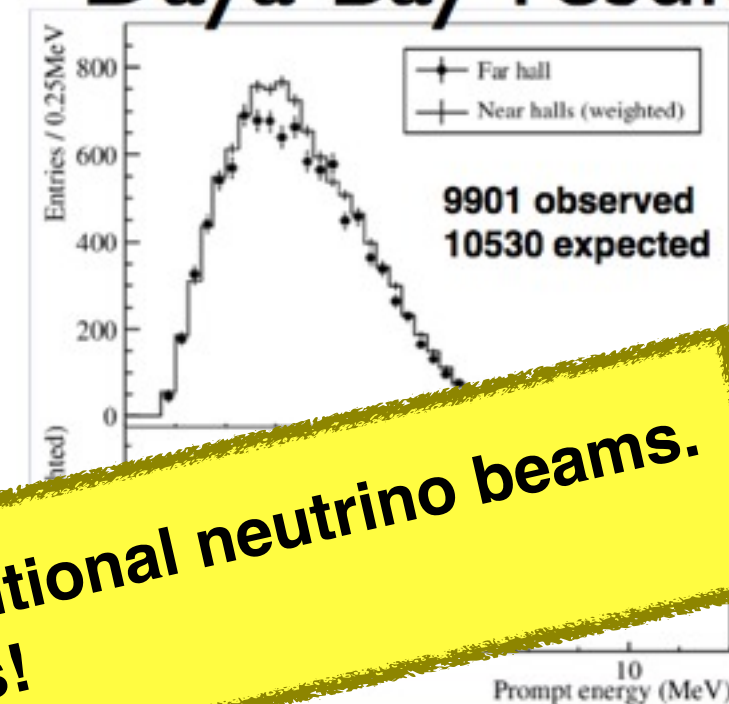
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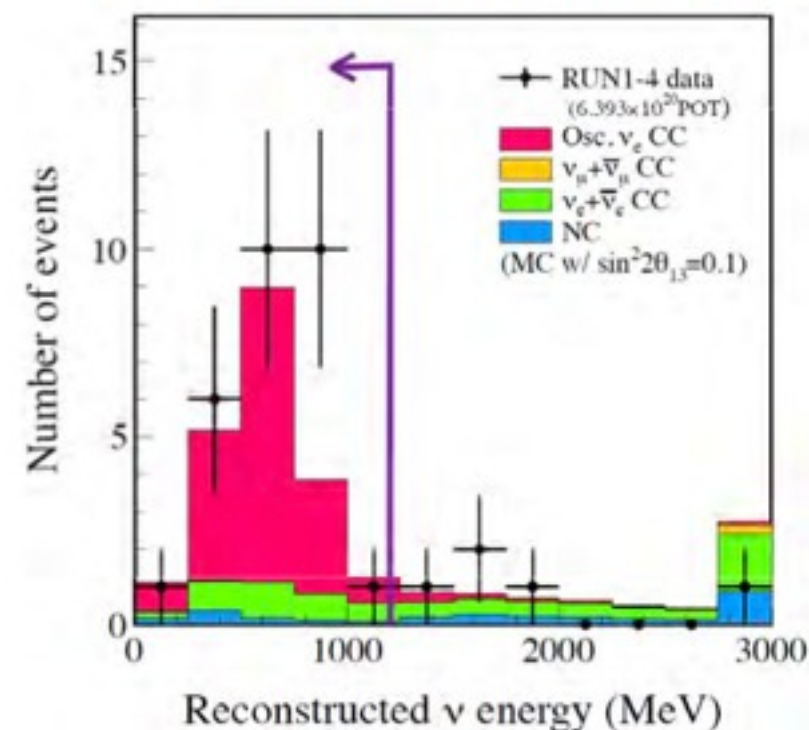
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With large θ_{13} the next steps are accessible with conventional neutrino beams. Mass hierarchy and CP-violation become the new goals!

T2K 2013 result



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matter terms $\sim a$

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CP odd $\sim \sin \delta$ (points to the s_δ term)

CP even (points to the \sin^2 and \sin terms)

L/E dependence (points to the L/E terms)

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=> Direct test of δ_{CP} origin of CPV and of matter terms

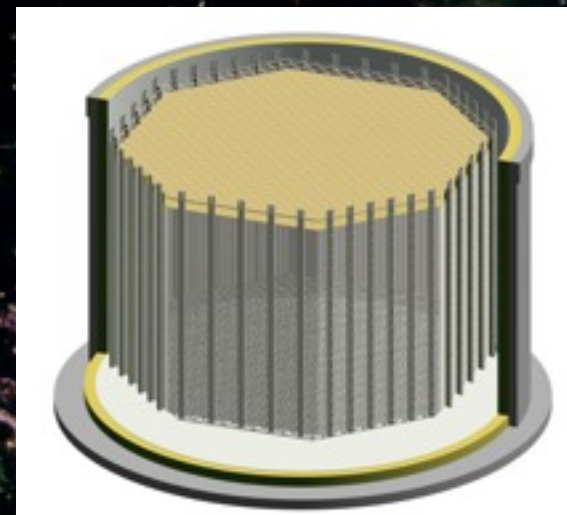


CERN

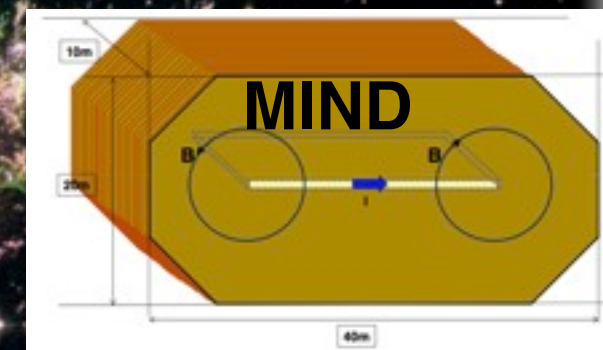
2300 km



GLACIER 20kt, 50 kt



deep
underground



MIND

LAGUNA

Deep underground neutrino observatory

- neutrino beam + near detector
- * wide band ν_μ beam $\sim 1-10$ GeV \Rightarrow covers 2 oscillation maximums ~ 4 and ~ 1.5 GeV
- * SPS protons @ 400 GeV
- * SPS upgrade 800 GeV 2 MW
- * Near detector:
 - HpAr TPC + magnetized iron detector (MIND)

- * Giant double-phase LAr TPC+ magnetized iron detector (MIND)
- * Neutrinos from MeV to 10's GeV (supernovae, reactors, solar, atmospheric..)
- * Address questions of particle and astroparticle physics
- * Proton decay

LBNO: Neutrino oscillations \rightarrow MH, CPV, precision measurements

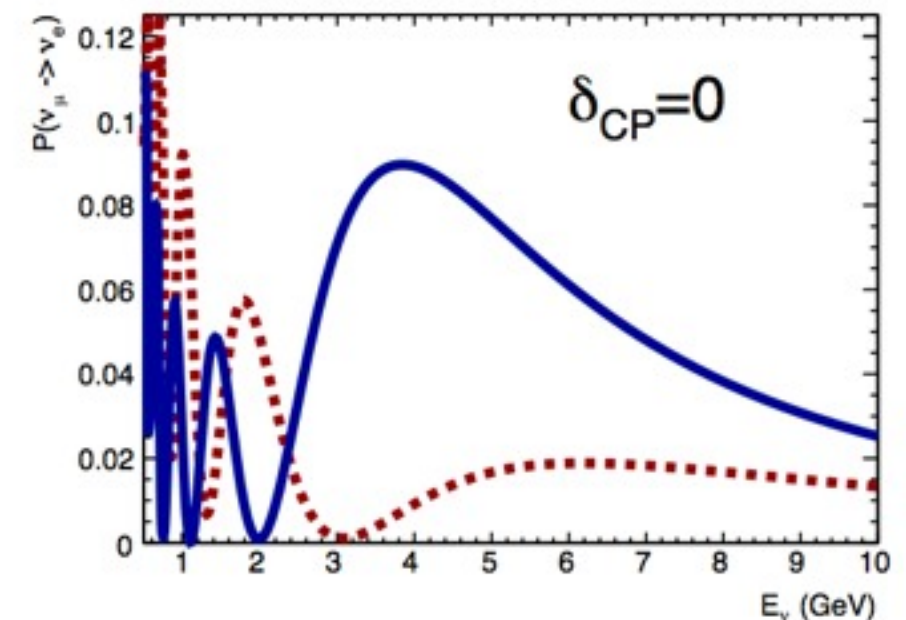
*“Zoom effect”: The L/E dependence can be observed in an “expanded” scale at large L

➡ Measure the full spectral information for unambiguous sensitivity and a direct proof of the observed phenomenon.

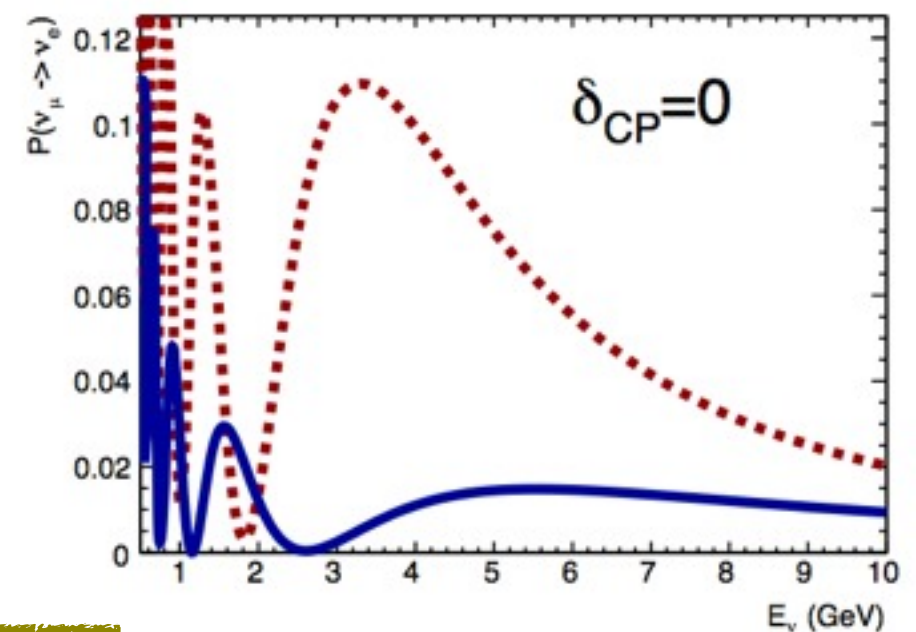
*Decoupling of MH and CPV: A guaranteed & conclusive sensitivity to MH with existing beam power and initial mass requires a very long baseline.

➡ After MH fixed, optimise the running for CP (this depends on NH/IH)!

normal hierarchy



inverted hierarchy



now is the time to move to very long baselines !!

- * To measure **MH on the $> 5\sigma$ level** one need to go to very long baselines, ~ 1000 km doesn't give enough matter effects to measure the full phase space.
- * Global fits of many experiments can guide and help the research but cannot replace the **measurement of a dedicated experiment**.
- * **LBNO aims at exploring and resolve the mass hierarchy and the CP-phase problem by observing clear signatures and determining their L/E dependence
=>Very Long Baseline**
- * LBNO incremental approach:
 - 1st phase: initial LAr mass of 20 kton =>
 1. MH determination in 2 years!
 2. Investigation of CPV
 - 2nd phase: LAr mass 70 kton: Determination of CPV.

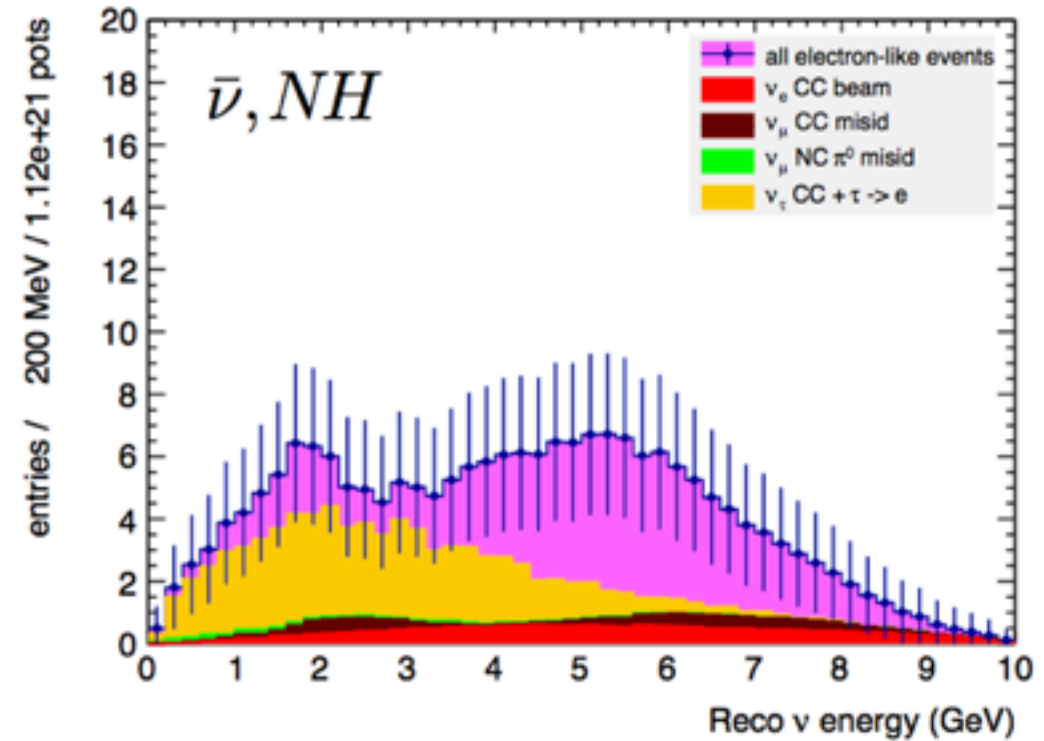
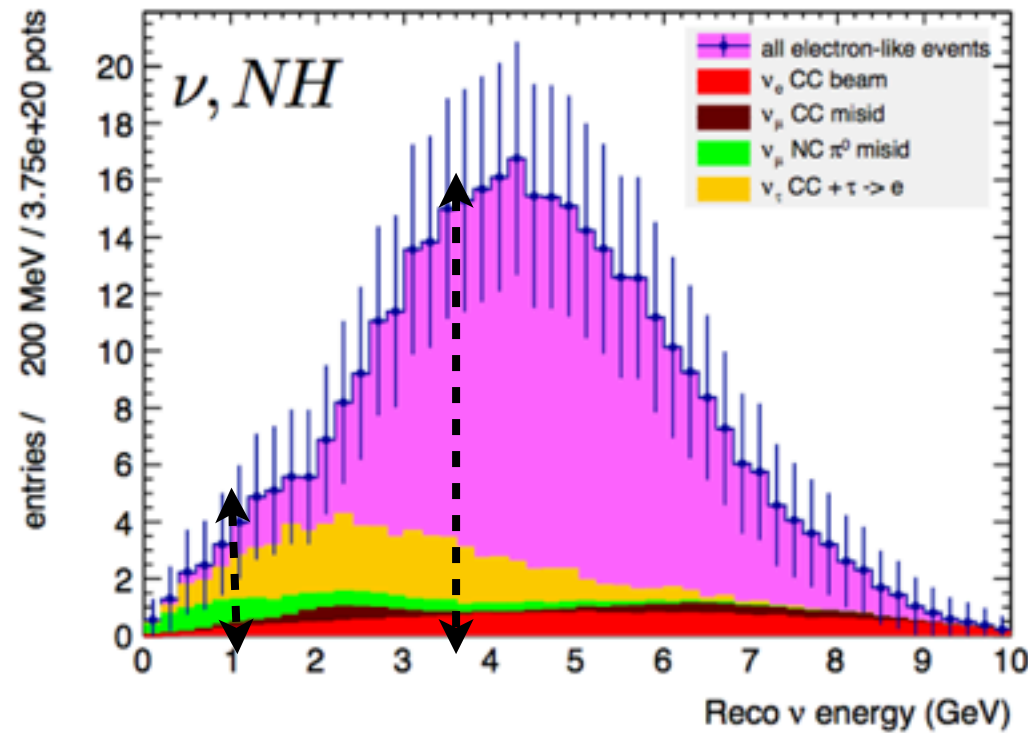
ν + anti- ν running to distinguish NH from IH

SPS(700kW), 10y, 75% ν -25% $\bar{\nu}$; m=20 kt $\delta_{CP}=0$
Detector response and resolution included

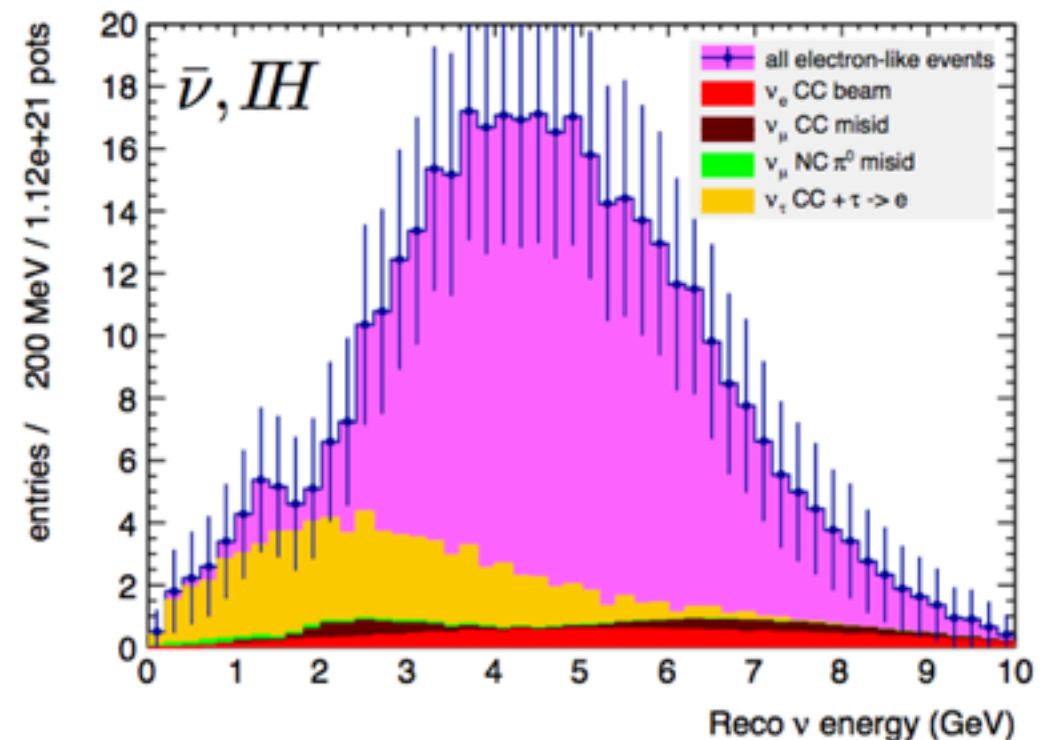
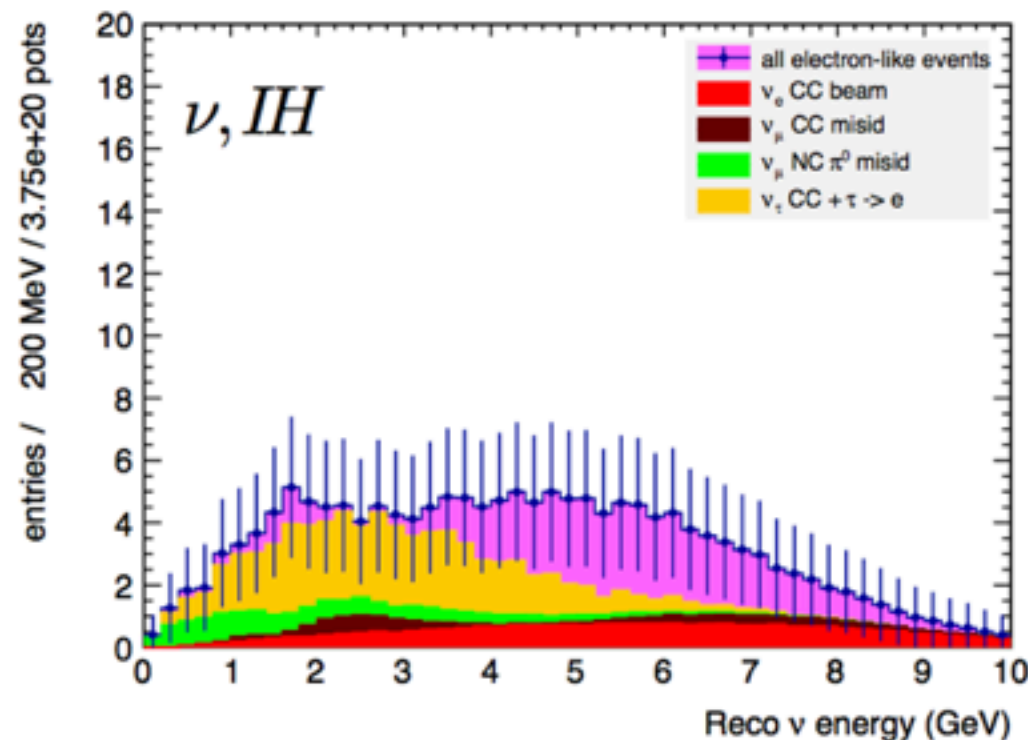
neutrinos

anti-neutrinos

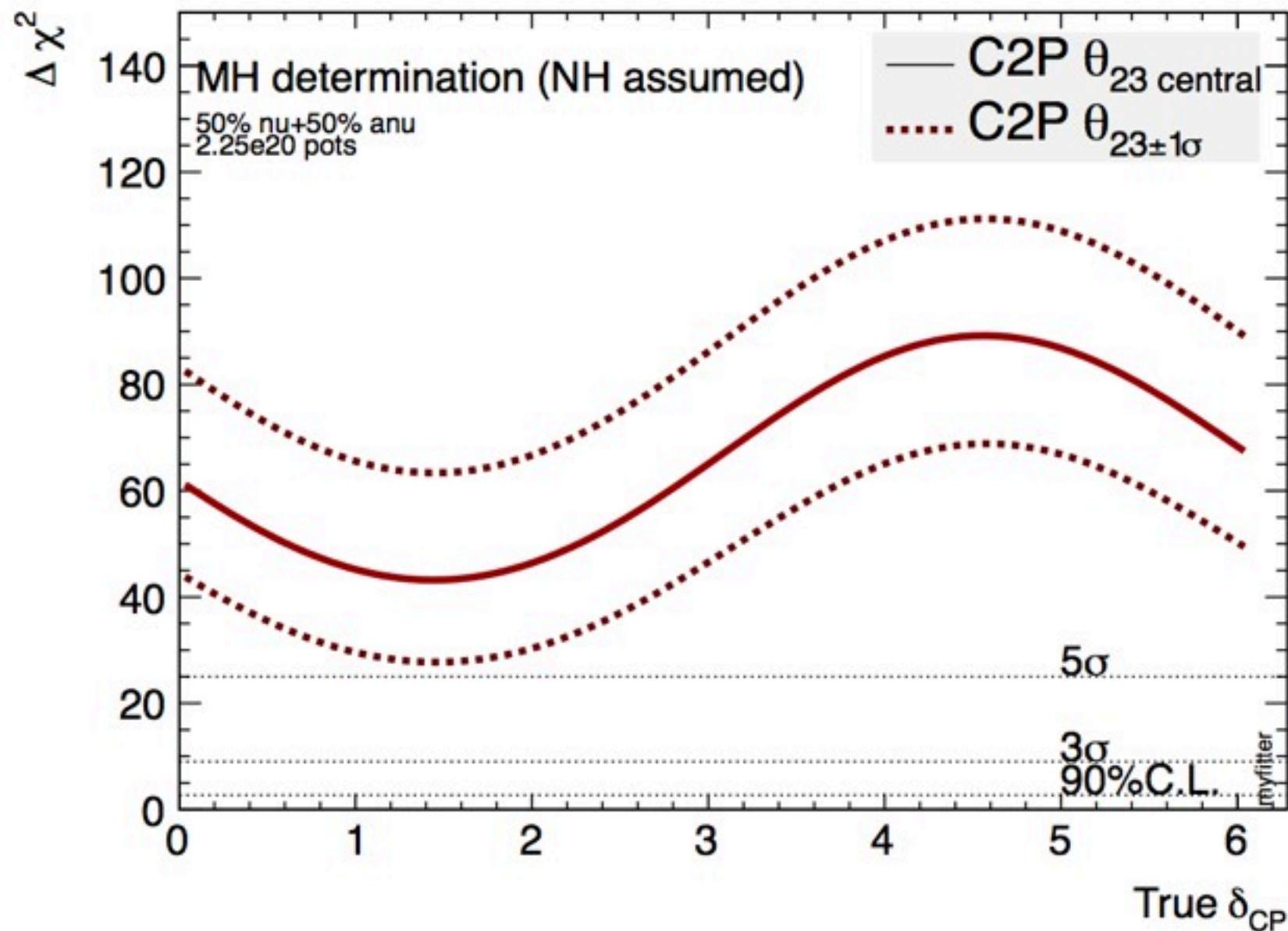
NH



IH

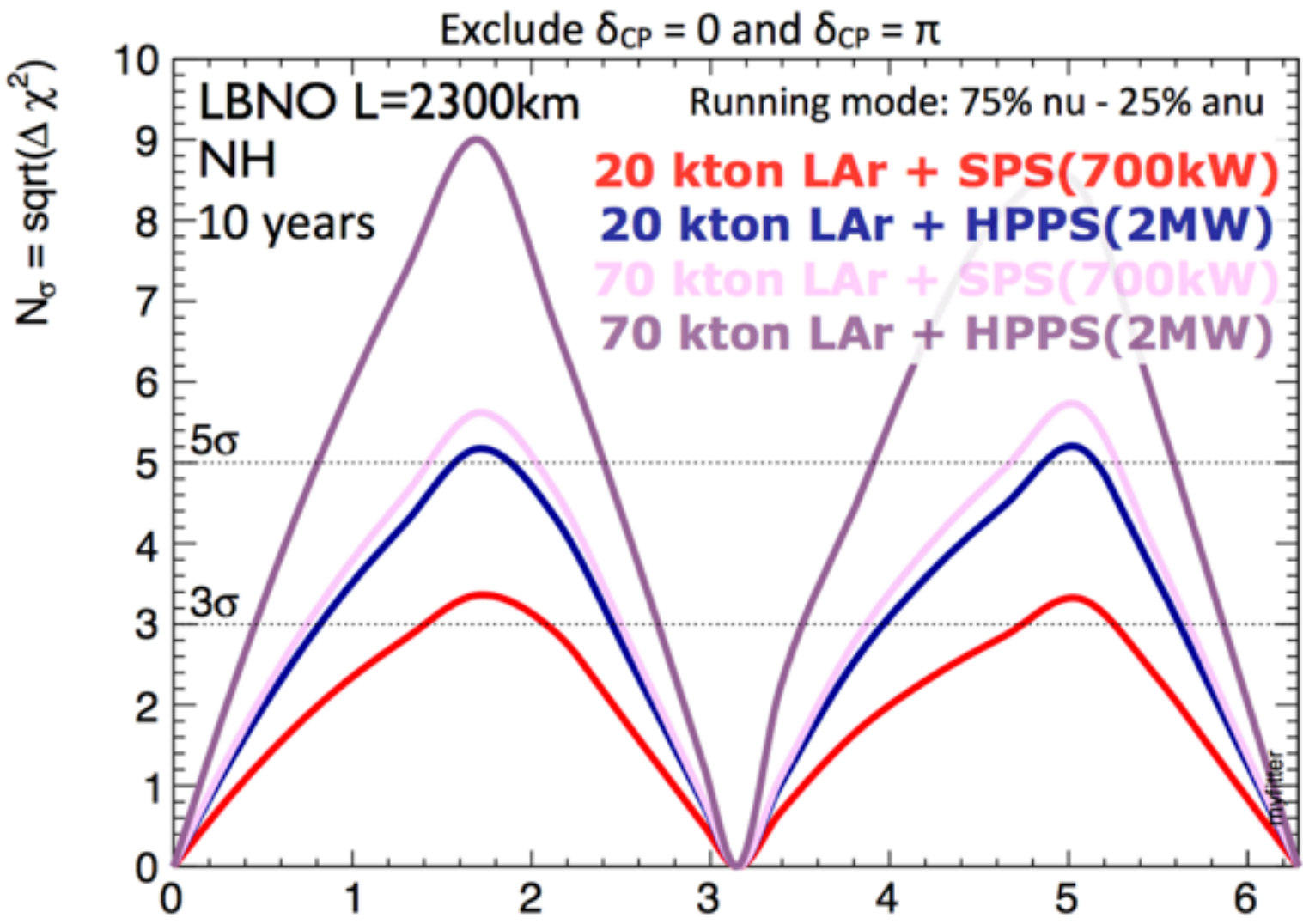


Provide a $>5\sigma$ direct determination of MH independent of the values of θ_{23} & δ_{CP} in ≈ 2 years of running



Unique setup in the world to test matter effects in neutrino propagation!
L/E shape + νu/νubar by changing horn polarity

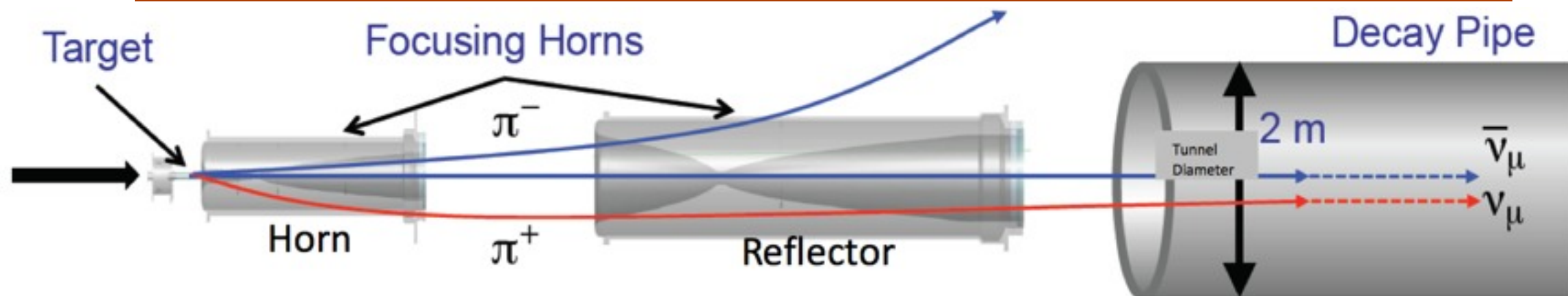
CPV 60% coverage 90% C.L.
end evidence for maximal CP
($\pi/2, 3/2\pi$) in 10 years



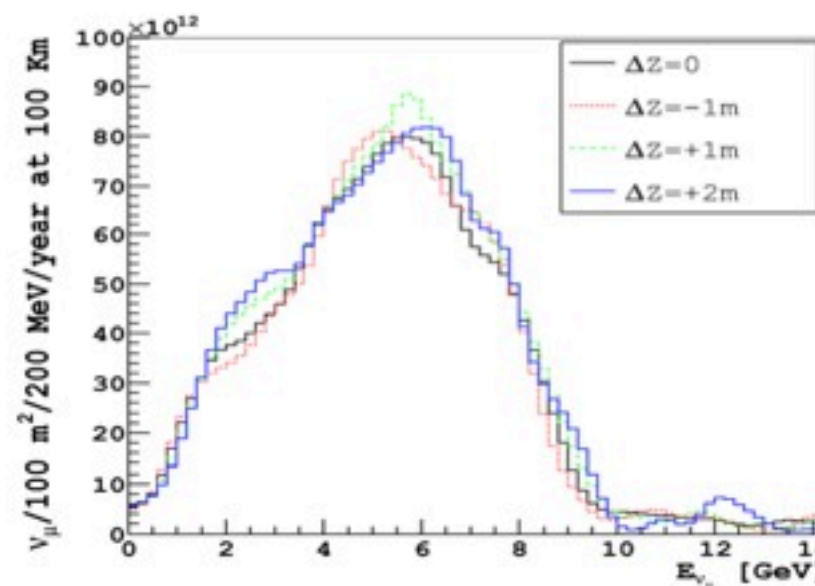
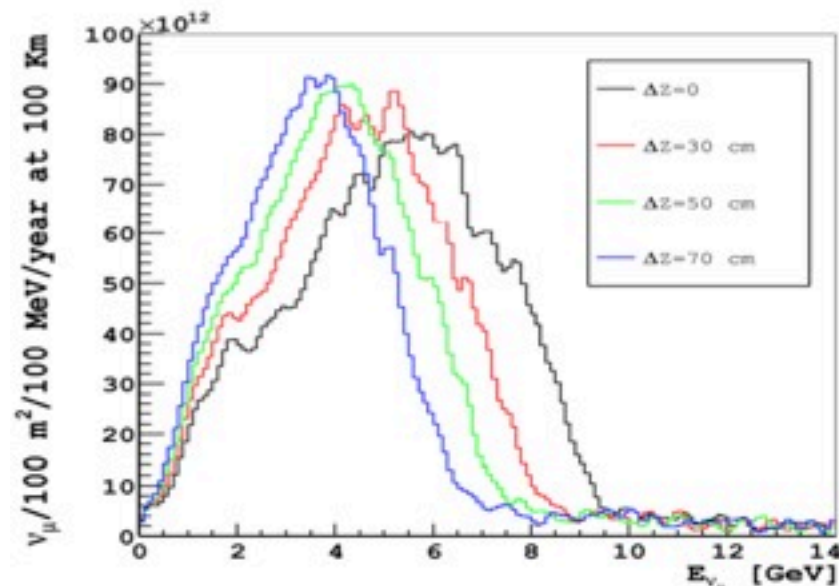
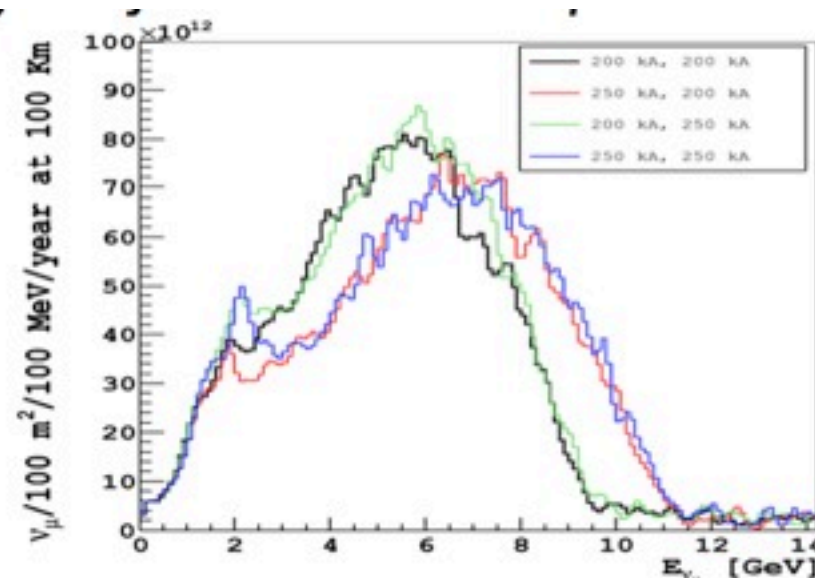
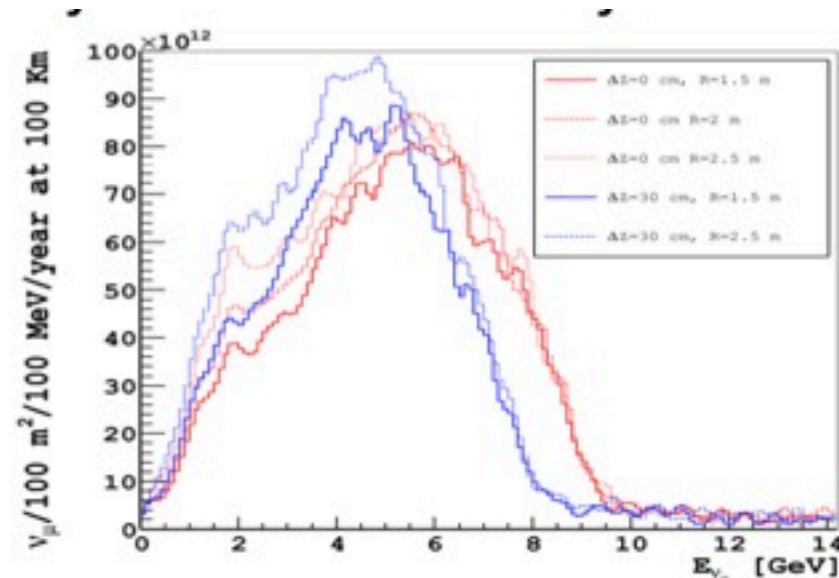
Name	Value	Error (1σ)
L (km)	2300	exact
Δm^2_{21} eV ²	7.60E-05	exact
$ \Delta m^2_{32} $ eV ²	2.40E-03	±4%
$\sin^2\theta_{12}$	0.30	exact
$\sin^22\theta_{13}$	0.09	±10%
$\sin^2\theta_{23}$	0.50	±10%
<ρ>	3.2 g/cm3	±4%

Name	MH determination	CP determination
	Error (1σ)	Error (1σ)
Bin-to-bin correlated:		
Signal normalization (f_{sig})	±5%	±5%
Beam electron contamination normalization ($f_{\nu_e CC}$)	±5%	±5%
Tau normalization ($f_{\nu_\tau CC}$)	±50%	±20%
ν NC and ν_μ CC background ($f_{\nu_{NC}}$)	±10%	±10%
Relative norm. of “+” and “-” horn polarity ($f_{+/-}$)	±5%	±5%
Bin-to-bin uncorrelated	±5%	±5%

CN2PY (CERN to Pyhäsalmi) beam



Beam line parameter varied in order to find the configuration which maximize the information extracted from the analysis of the oscillation spectra

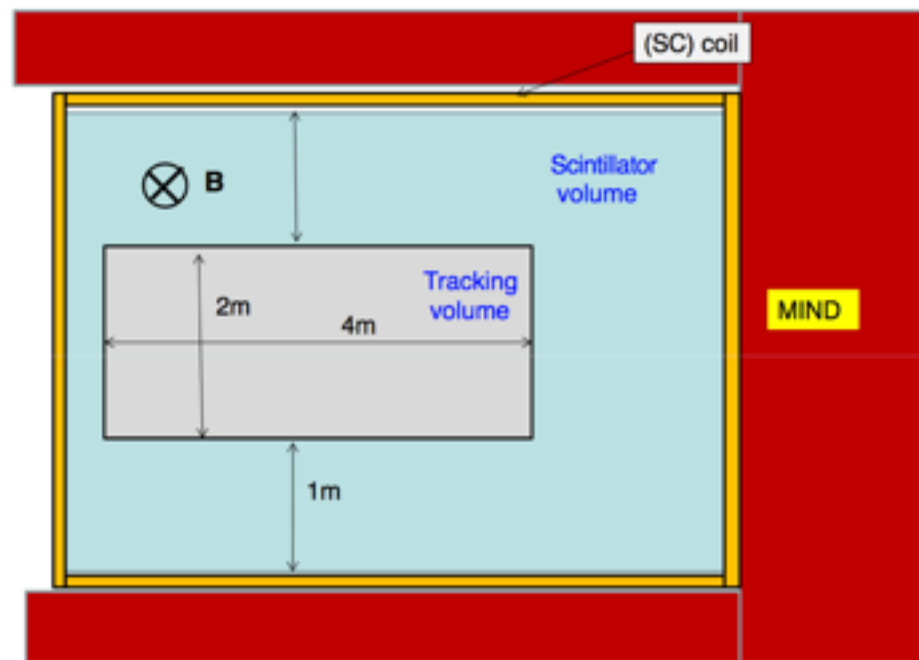


Decay Tunnel dimensions
Target-Horn position
Horn-Reflector Position
Horn(Reflector) shape
Horn(Reflector) current

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Goal: <5% Systematic error on the signal and background in the Far detector

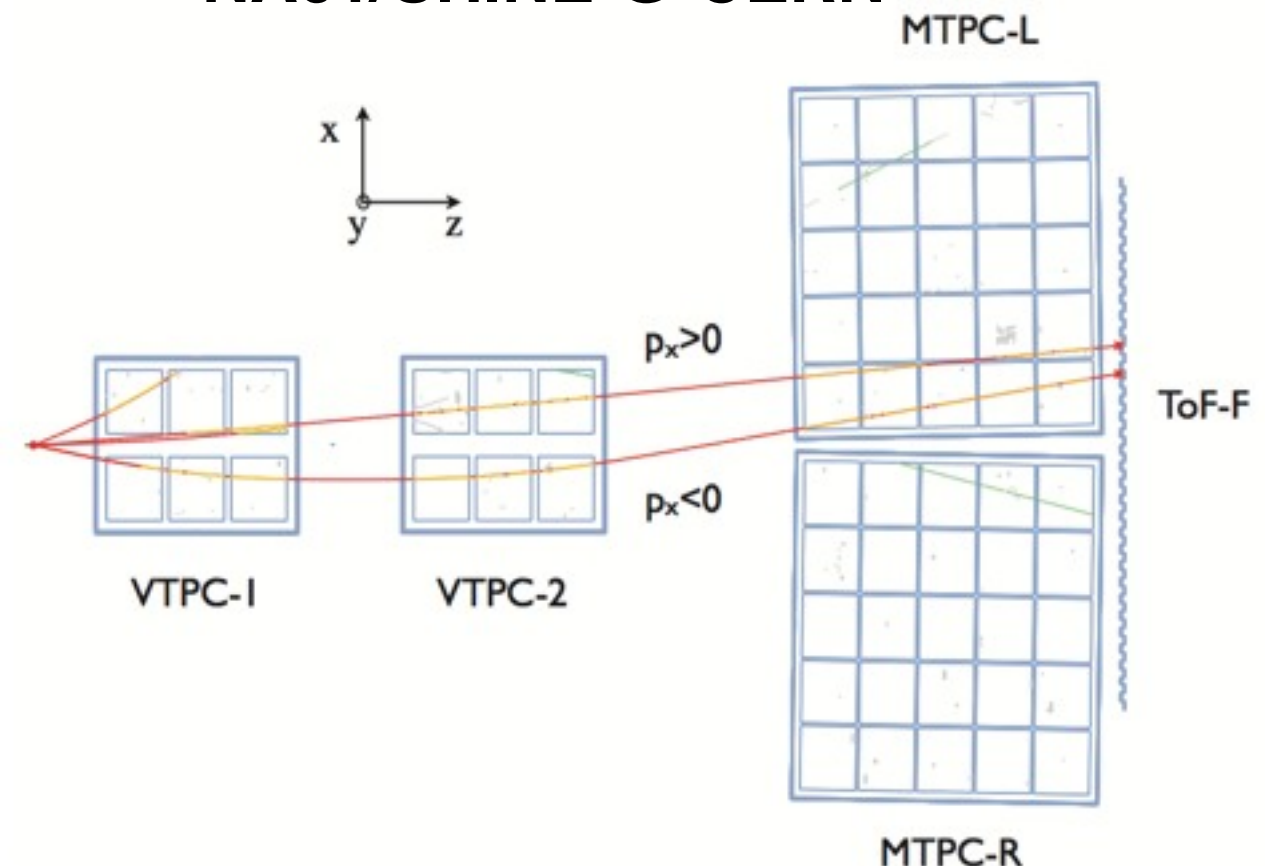
Near detector



Same materials as in far detectors

- ✓ Argon TPC (10 bar)
- ✓ Scintillator bar tracker
- ✓ Magnetic field 0.5 T
- ✓ 0.2 events/spill @ 700 kW

NA61/SHINE @ CERN



- ✓ best experiment in the world for hadro-production measurements @ SPS energies
- ✓ π^\pm, K^+, p production @30 GeV data significantly contributed to reduce T2K flux systematics [Phys. Rev. C 85 \(Mar, 2012\) 035210](#).
- ✓ has required acceptance to study hadro-production @ 400 GeV

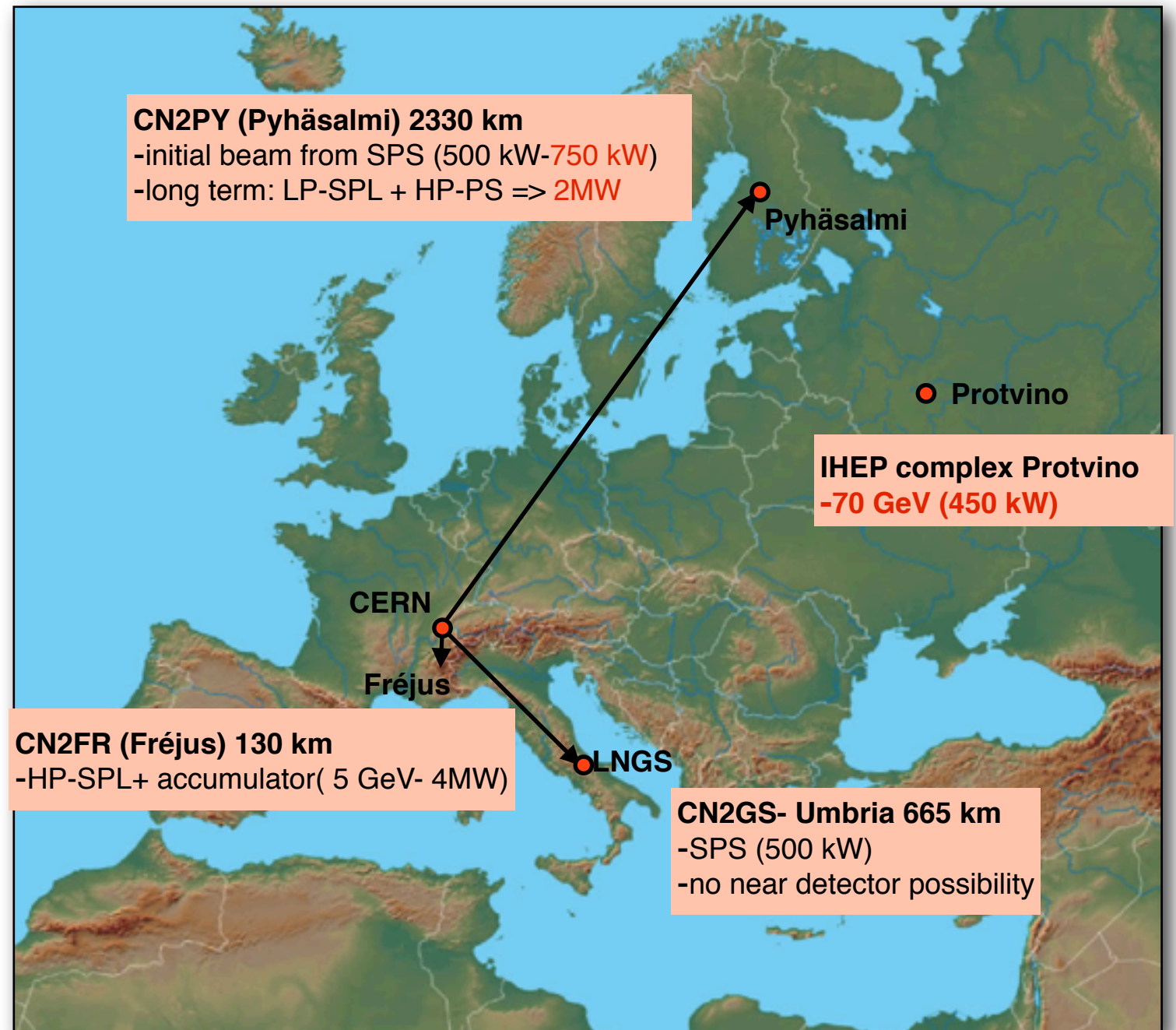
***Option 1: Pyhäsalmi mine**, privately owned, 4000 m.w.e overburden, excellent infrastructure for deep underground access.

***Option 2: Fréjus**, nearby road tunnel, 4800 m.w.e overburden, horizontal access. no MH, counting only experiment on $\nu \bar{\nu}$ asymmetry

***Option 3: Umbria** (LNGS extension), 2000 m.w.e overburden, horizontal access. CNGS off-axis beam

*Beams

- Design of new CERN conventional neutrino beam to Finland (CN2PY) Baseline = 2300 km
- Upgrades of CERN SPS to 700kW
- New CERN HP-PS (2MW@50 GeV) -
- Recently: assessment of a new conventional beam coupled to accelerator upgrade at Protvino, Russia (OMEGA project) – Baseline = 1160 km

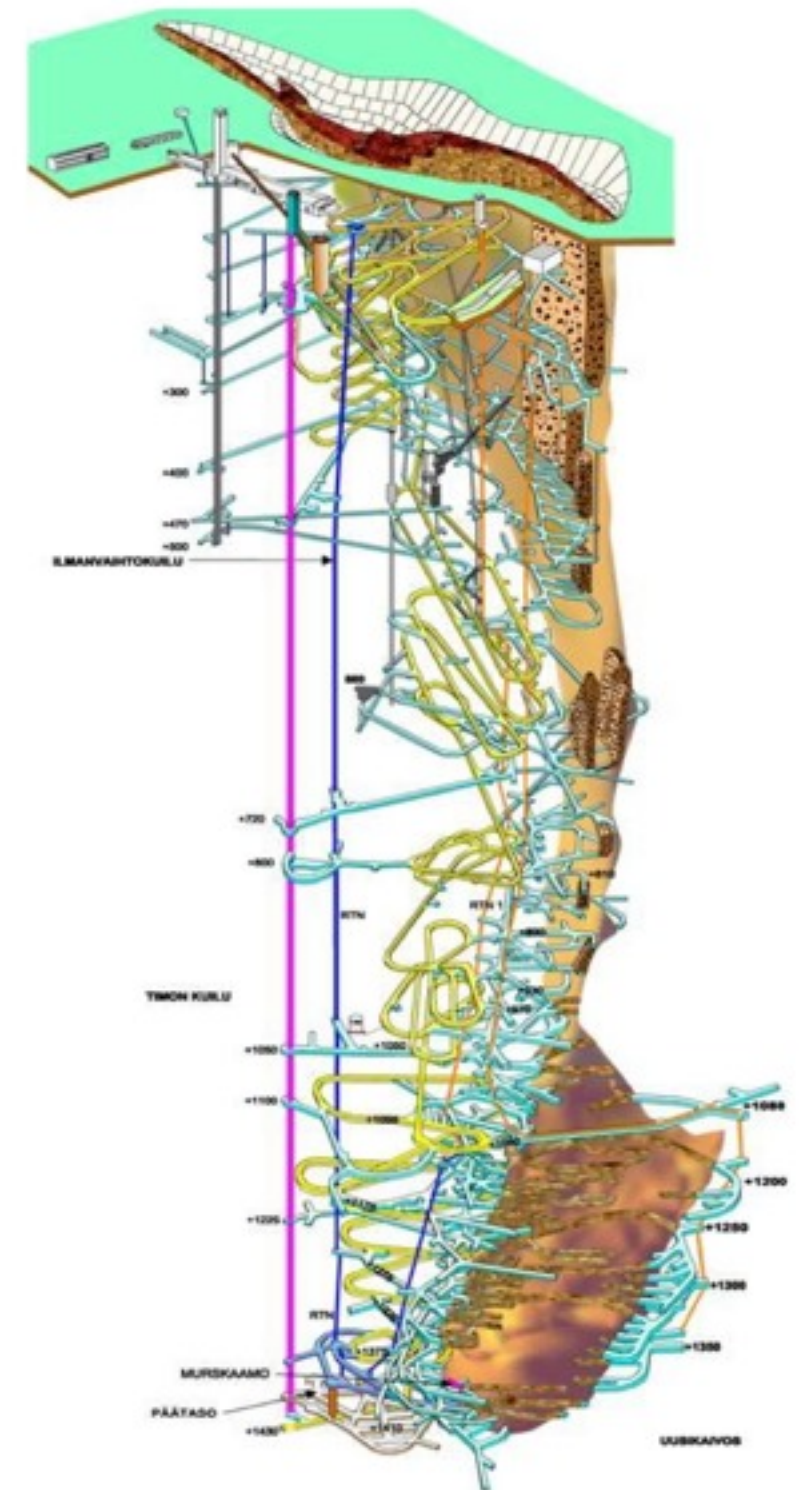


A new massive deep underground neutrino observatory for long baseline neutrino studies, capable of proton decay searches, atmospheric and astrophysical neutrino detection



Extremely convenient site:

- Deepest mine in Europe: ~1400 m, 4000 m.w.e
- Baseline from CERN 2300 km
- lowest reactor neutrino background in Europe
- efficient infrastructures and excavation aspects
- Interesting distance from other potential neutrino sources
 DESY(1500km), Protvino(1160km), RAL(2300km)



Discussions will continue with Finland in order to define its real contribution. Other sites in Scandinavia are also being looked into.

Long baseline program

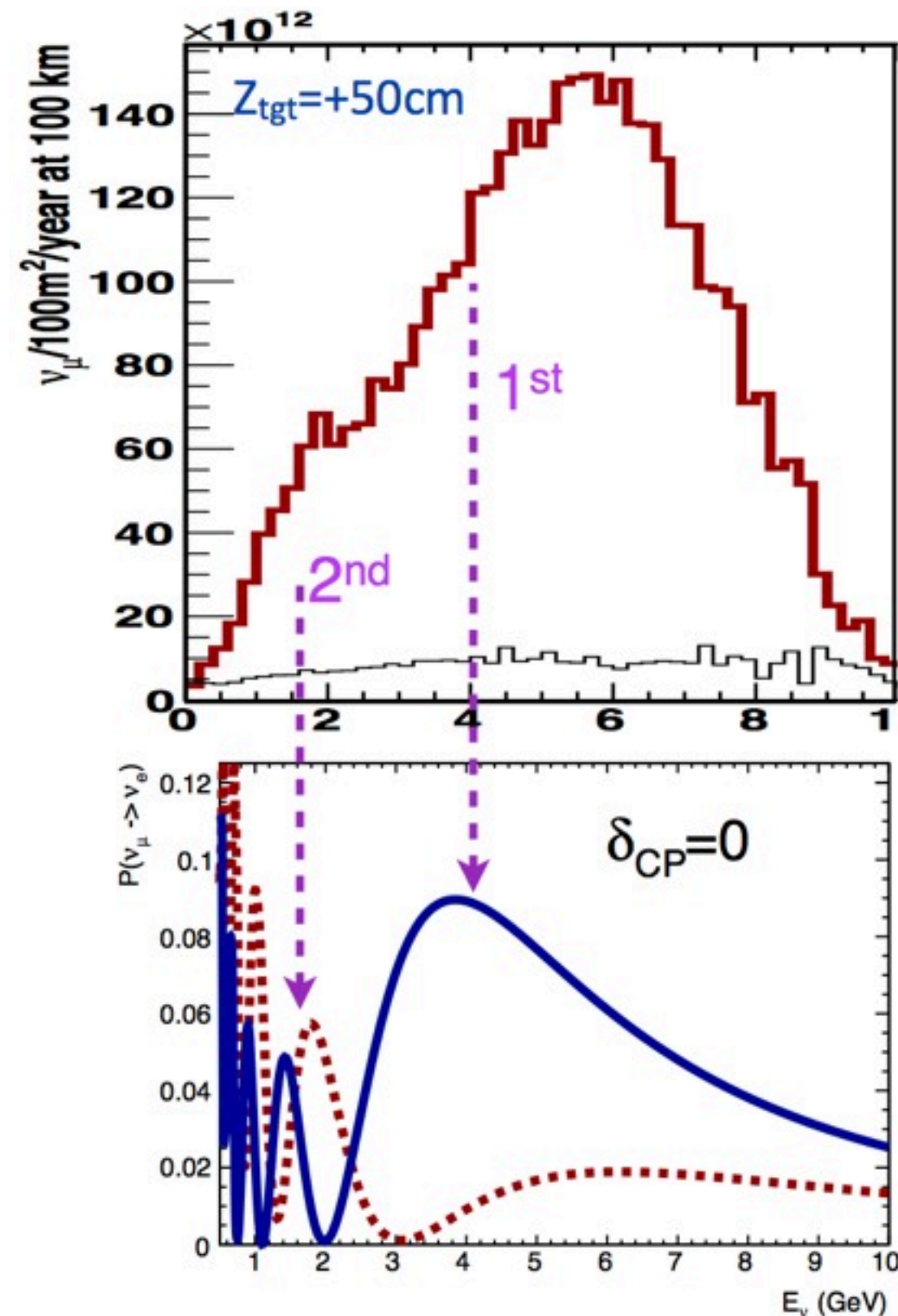
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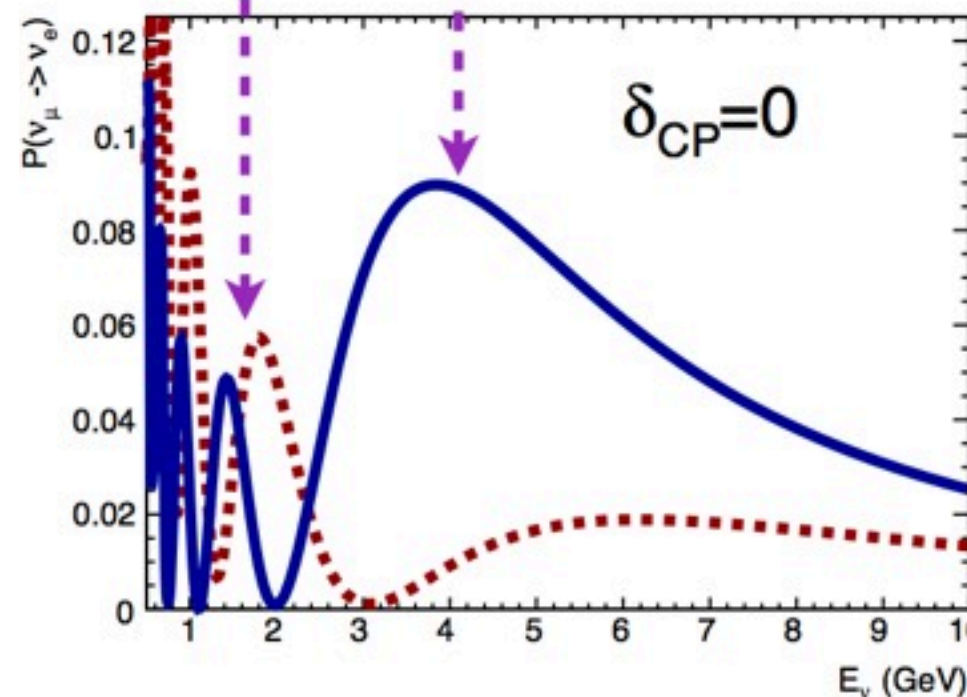
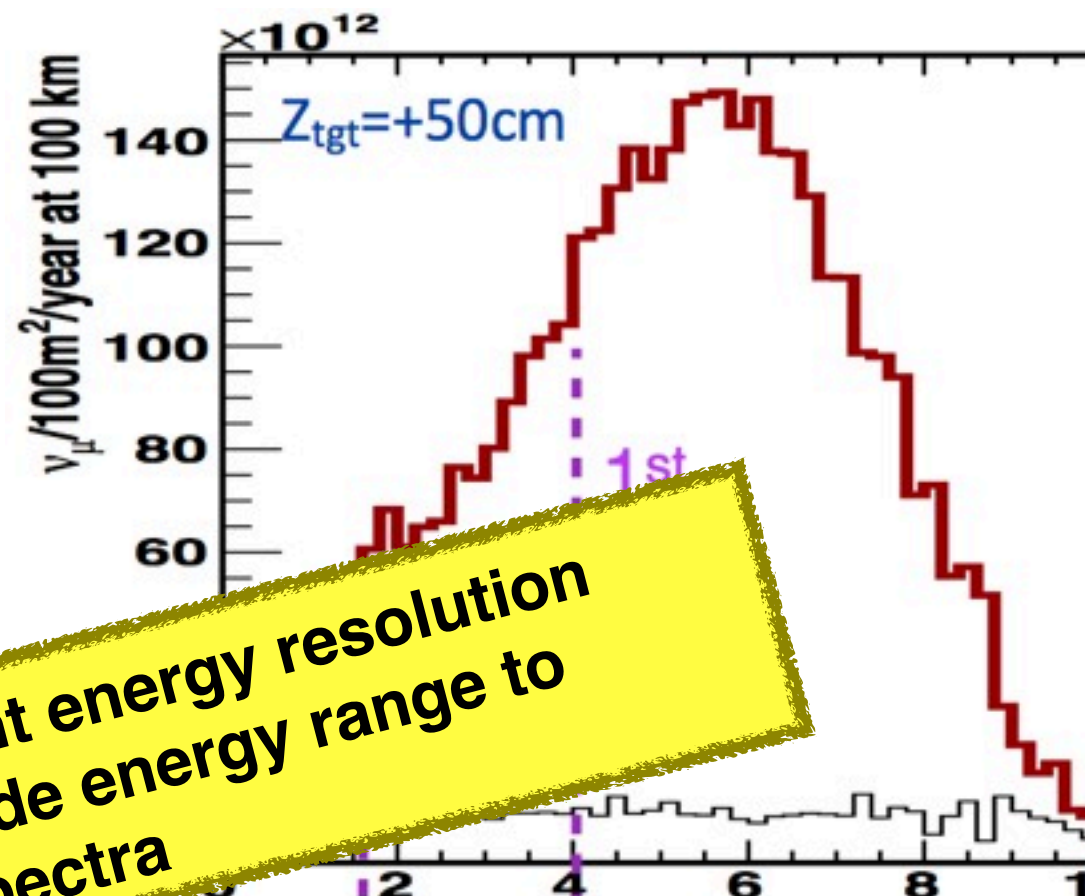
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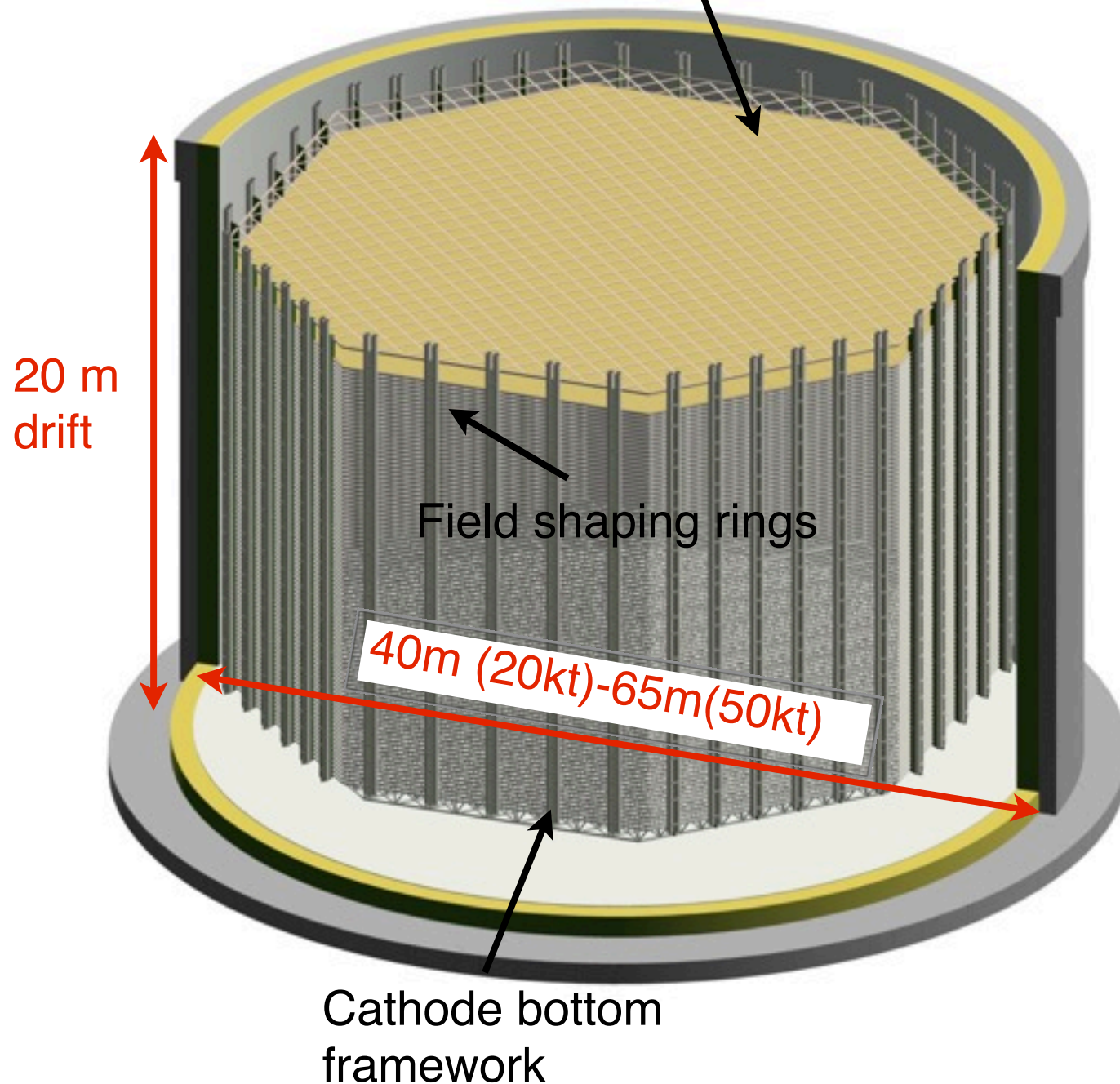
A detector with large mass, excellent energy resolution and tracking performance over a wide energy range to "see" the shape of the oscillated spectra



Giant Liquid Argon Charge Imaging expERiment

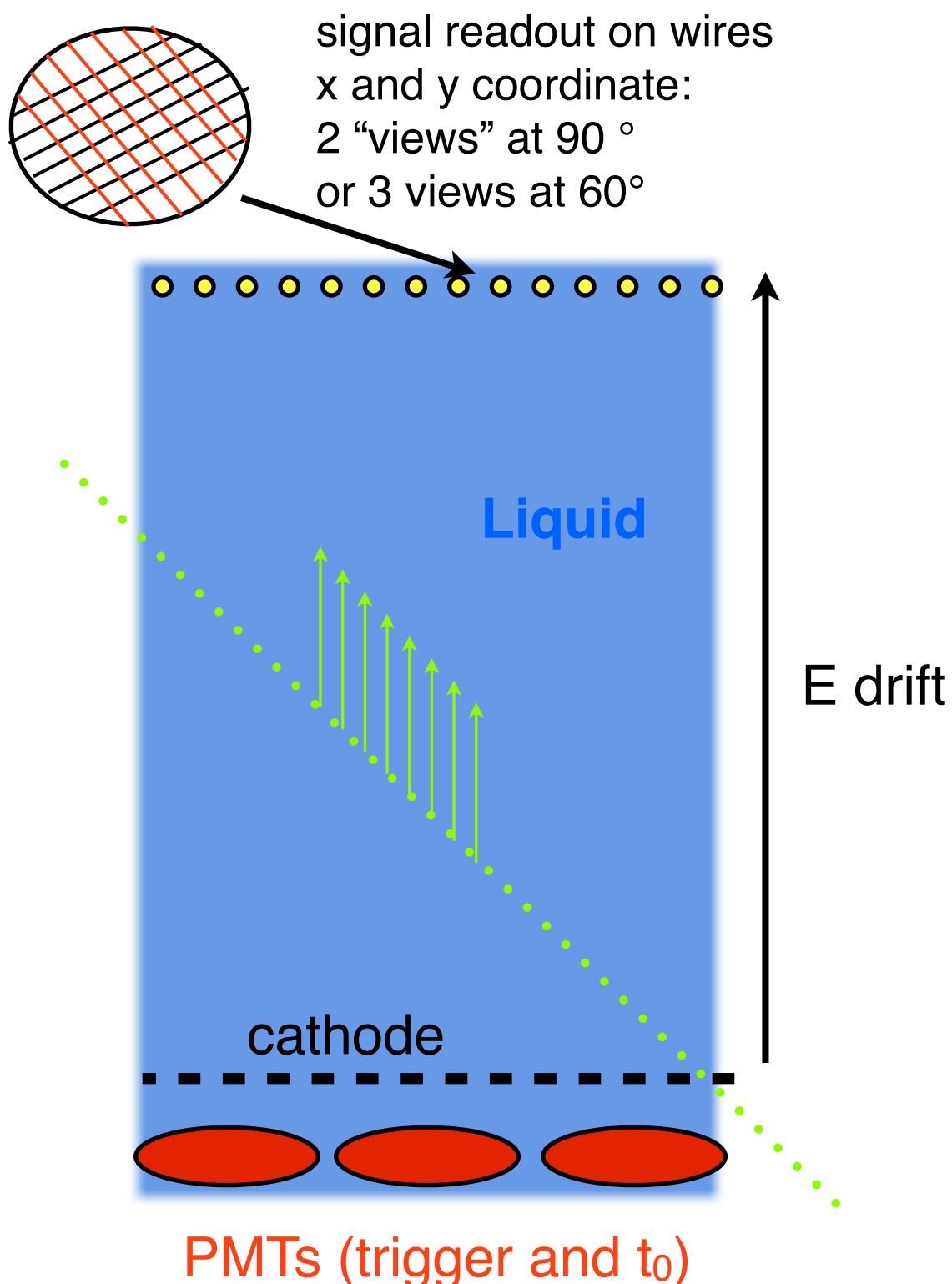
GLACIER 20kt, 50kt Giant double phase LAr TPC

Charge Readout Plane (CRP)

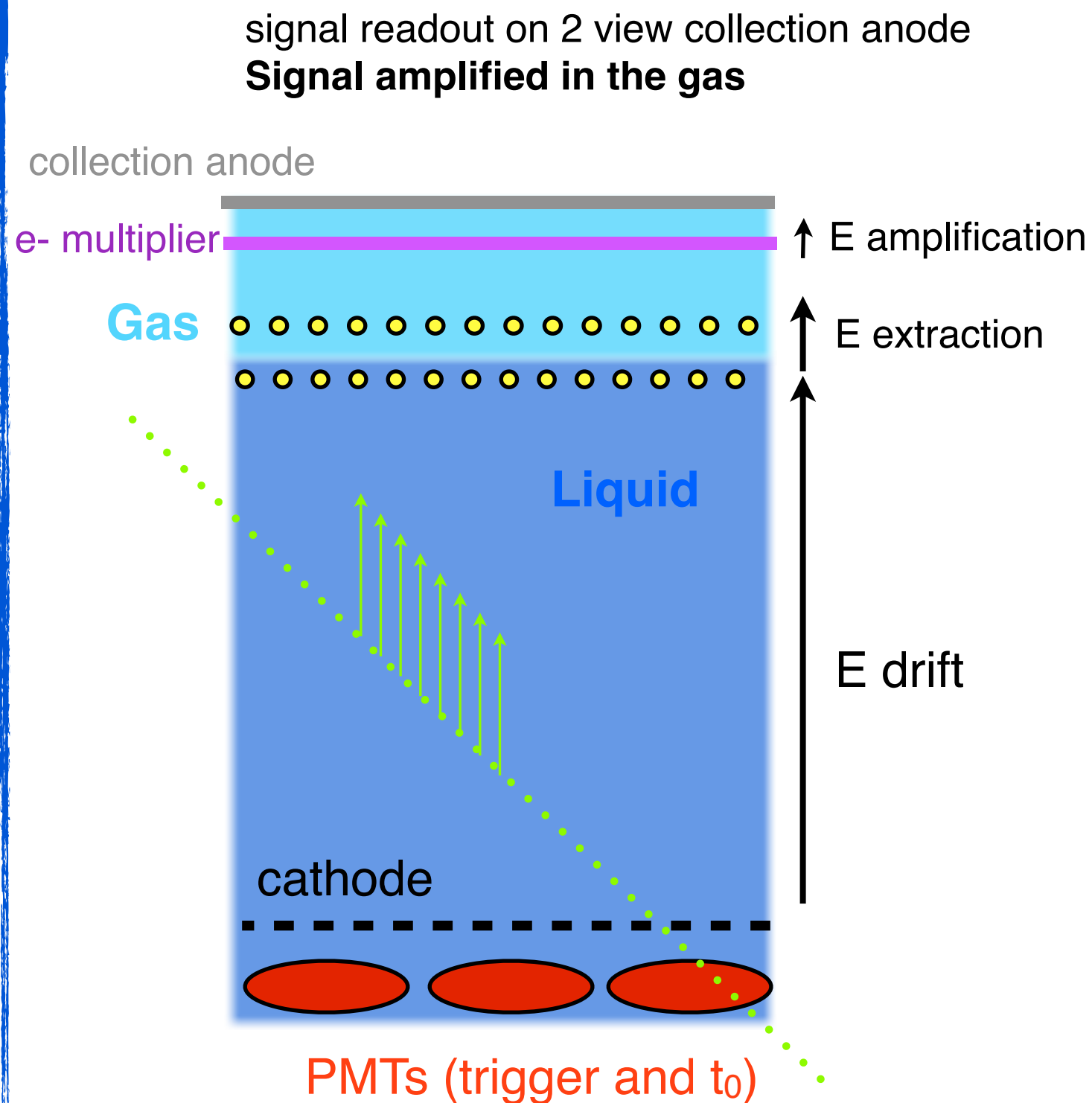


	20KT	50KT
Liquid argon density at 1.2 bar [T/m3]	1.38346	
Full LAr height [m]	22	
Instrumented LAr height [m]	20	
Pressure on the bottom due to LAr [T/m2]	30.4 (≈ 0.3 MPa ≈ 3 bar)	
Vessel diameter [m]	37	55 76
Vessel base surface [m2]	1'075.2	2'375.8 4'536.5
Instrumented LAr area (percentage) [m2]	824 (77%) (76.6%)	1'845 (78%) 3'634 (80.1%)
Liquid argon volume [m3]	23'654.6	52'268.2 99'802.1
Instrumented LAr mass [KT]	22.799	51.299 100.550
Charge readout square panels (1m \times 1m option)	804	1'824 14'456
Charge readout triangular panels (0.5m2)	40	60
Charge readout square panels (4m \times 4m option)	40	104
Charge readout triangular panels (2m2)	20	16
Number of signal feed-throughs (666 ch/FT)	416	1'028 1'872
Number of PMTs (1m \times 1m option)	~ 800	$\sim 1'850$ 909
Number of PMTs (1.2m \times 1.2m option)		$\sim 1'288$
Number of PMTs (2m \times 2m option)	~ 200	~ 450
Number of field shaping rings	100	
Vertical spacing (heart to heart distance) of field shaping rings [mm]	200	

Single phase

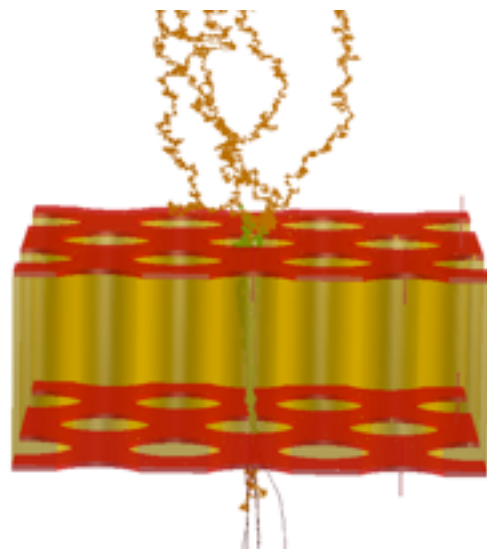


Double phase



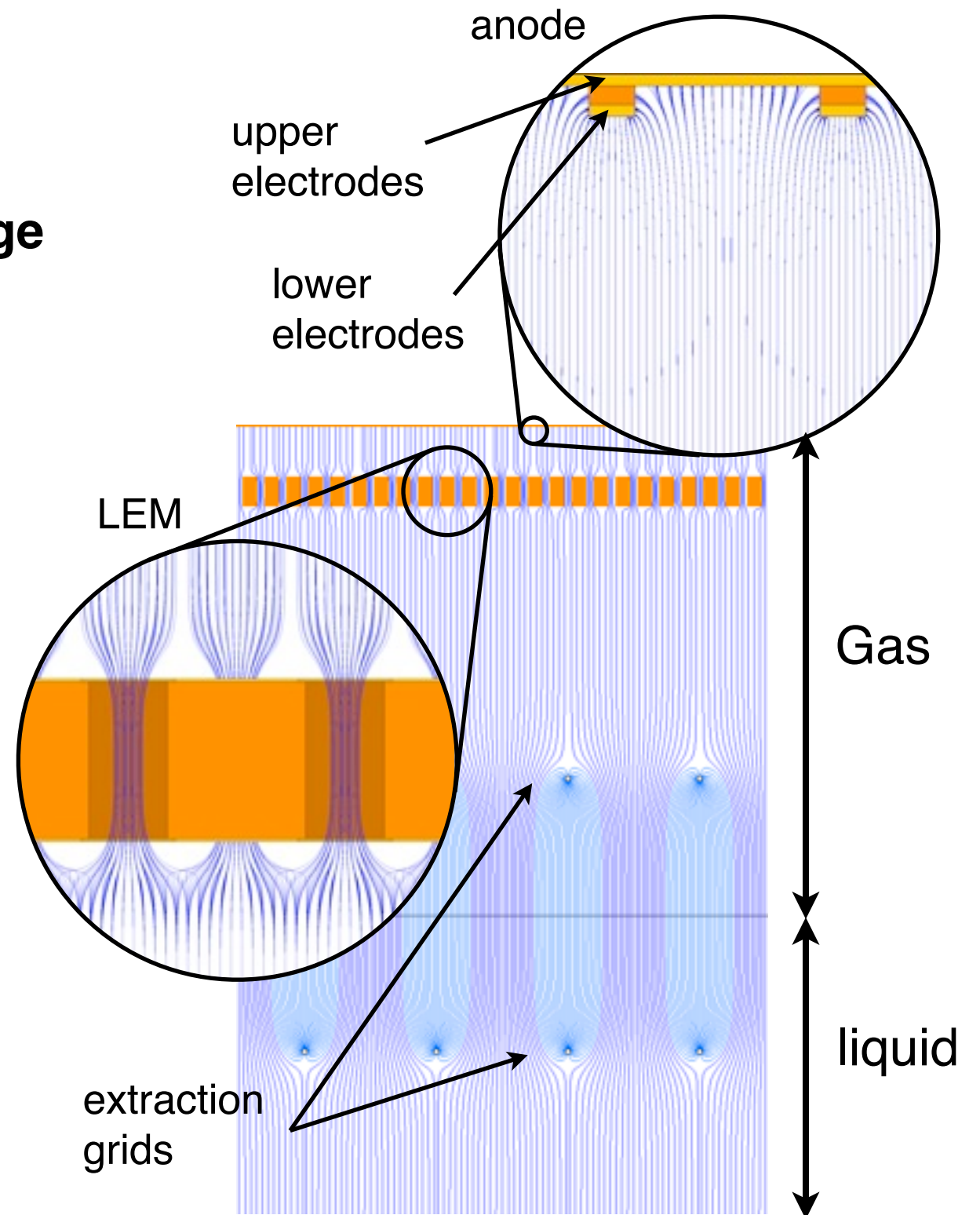
4.) Charge **collection** on a **2D anode readout**
(symmetric unipolar signals with two
orthogonal views)

3.) Charge multiplication in the holes of the **Large
Electron Multiplier (LEM)**



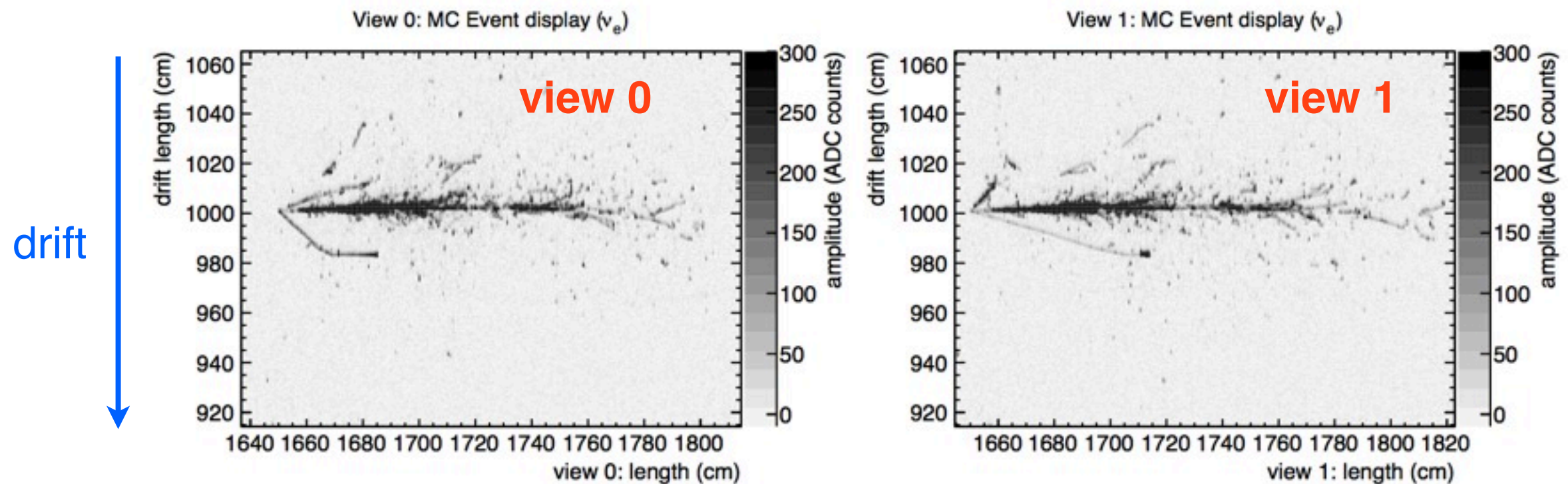
2.) Drift electrons are efficiently emitted into the
gas phase

1.) Ionization electrons drift towards the liquid
argon surface



Benefits of the double phase LAr TPC

ν_e CC event in CLACIER



- ✓ **Excellent** energy resolution and tracking performance over a wide energy range. **Efficient** background rejection (e.g. $\text{NC}\pi^0$ from $\text{CC}\nu_e$)
- ✓ **High granularity**: ~ 0.05 cm in drift direction, 3mm in transverse direction
- ✓ Very **high signal-to-noise** (>100) thanks to amplification in gas. \Rightarrow build large detectors with longer drifts ($\sim 20\text{m}$) and larger readout capacitances.
- ✓ **Adjustable** Energy threshold \Rightarrow sensitive down to **very low energies** (~ 100 keV).

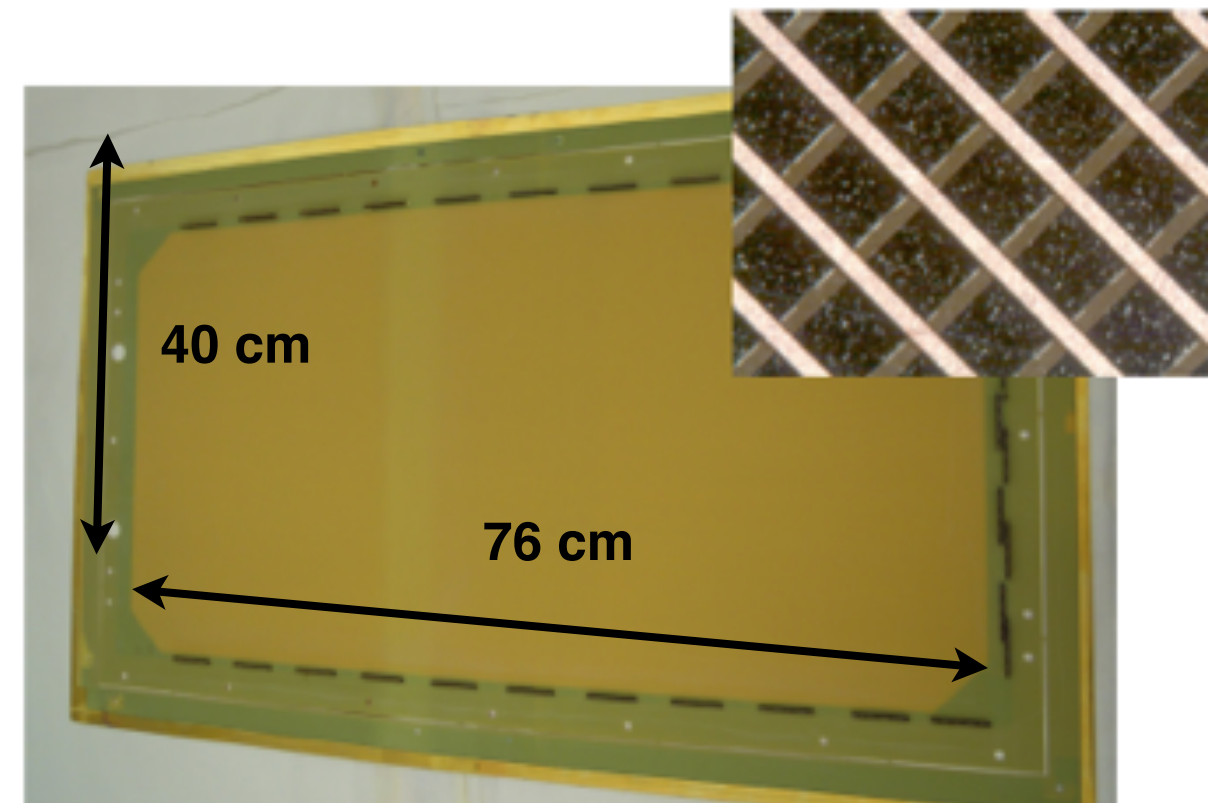
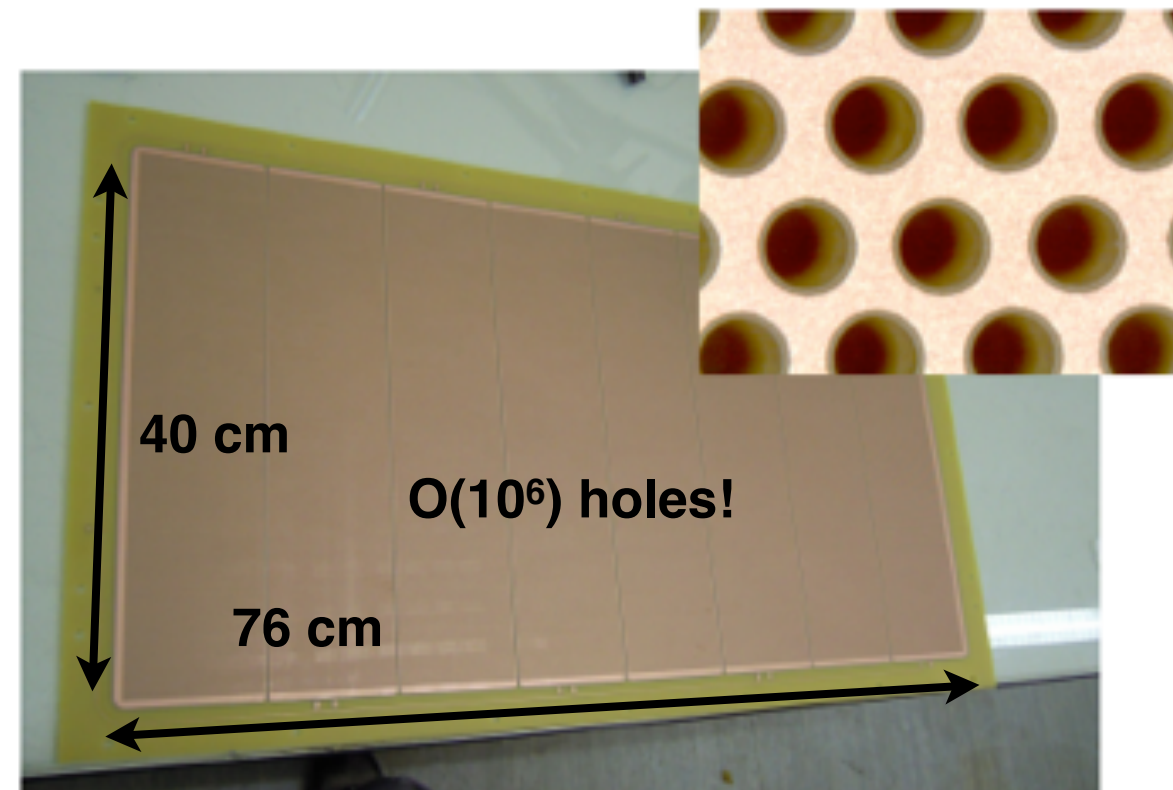
Large Electron Multiplier (LEM)

- * Macroscopic Gas hole multiplier
- * more robust than GEMs (cryogenic temperatures, discharge resistant)
- * manufactured with standard PCB techniques
- * Large area coverable by 50x50 cm² modules
- * Light quenching within the holes

2D projective anode readout

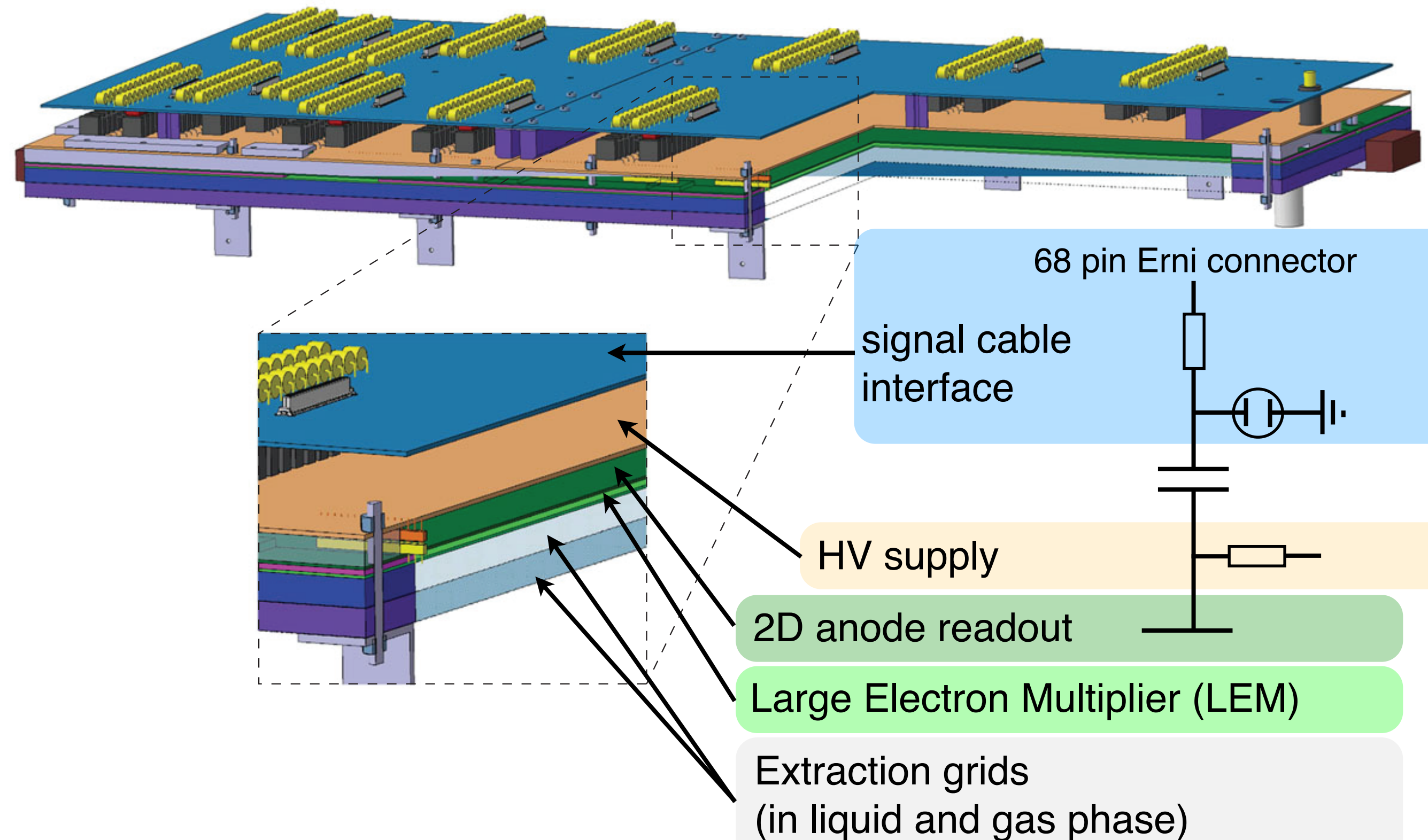
- * Charge equally collected on two sets of strips (views)
- * Readout independent of multiplication
- * Signals have the same shape for both views:
 - two collection views (unipolar signals)
 - no induction view (bipolar signals) as in the case of a LAr-TPC with induction wires

So far largest area LEM/2D anode produced!



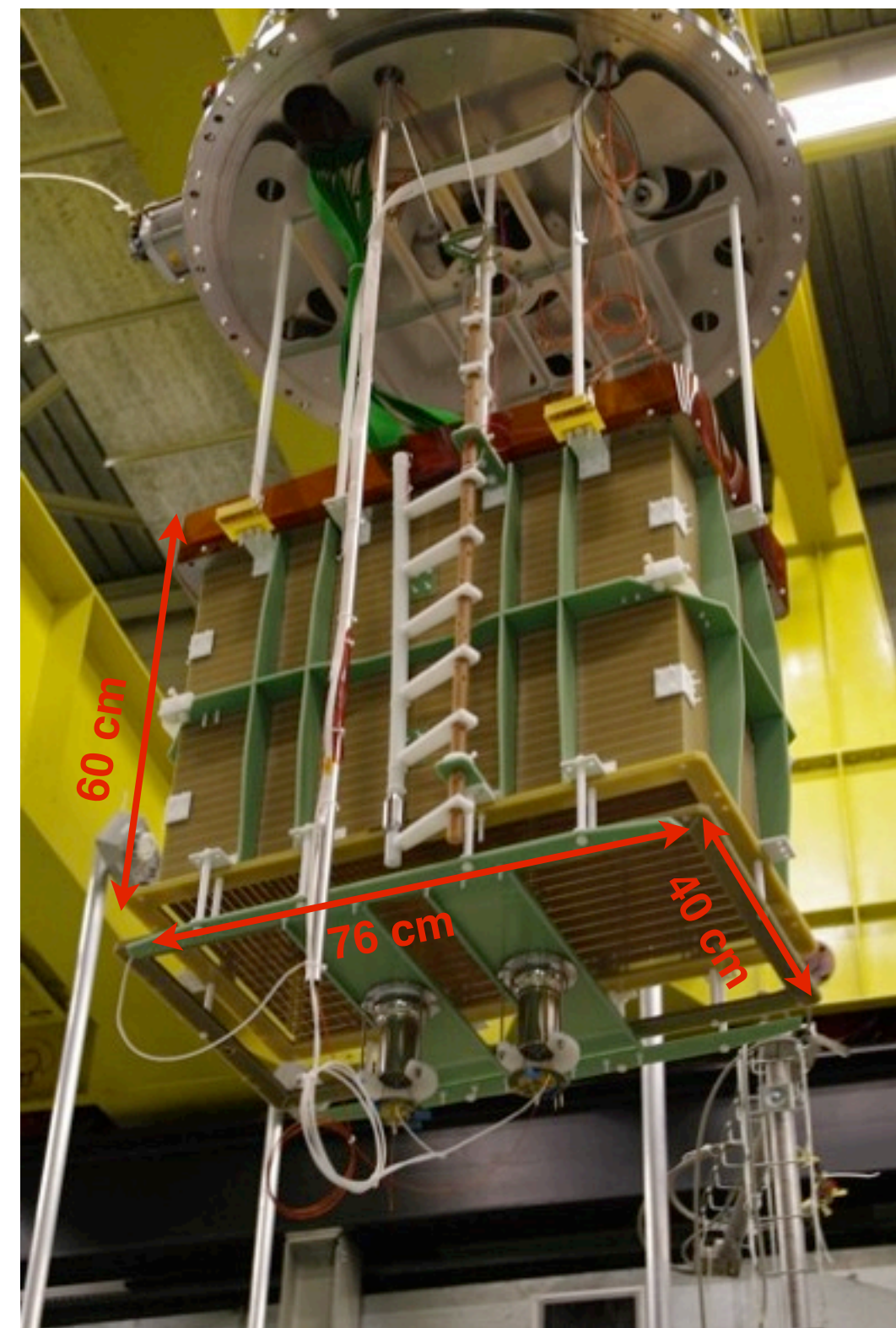
Compact Charge Readout Design (CRP)

Single Compact readout module of square meter doing extraction, amplification and readout



Large area readout: the 40x76 cm² prototype

detector fully assembled



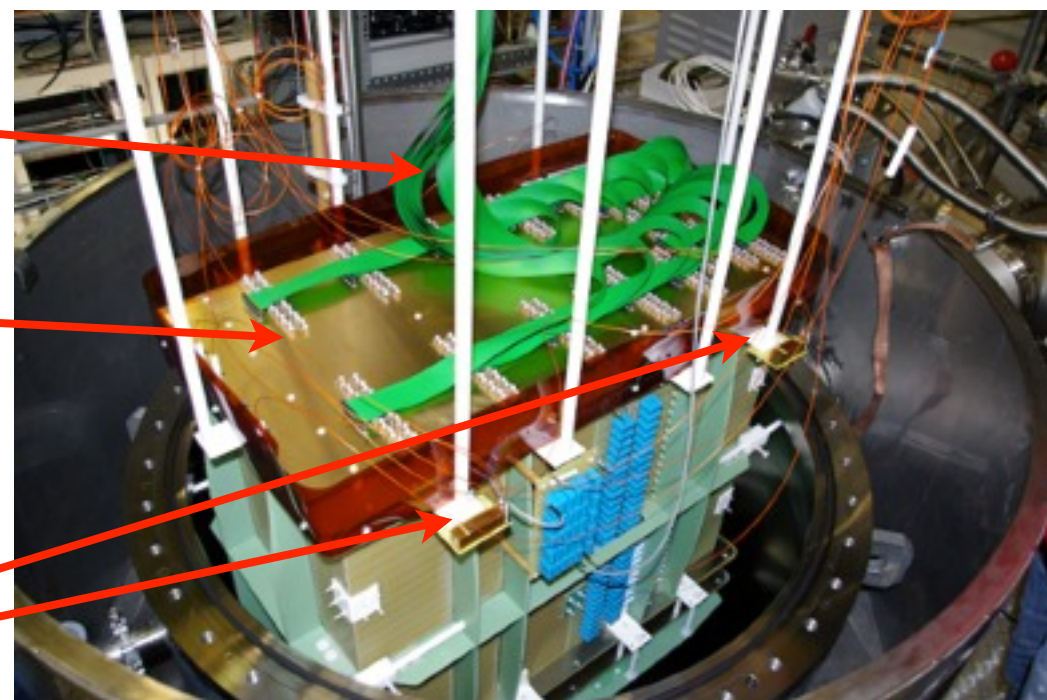
A. Badertscher et al. [JINST 8 \(2013\)P04012](#),

going into the ArDM cryostat

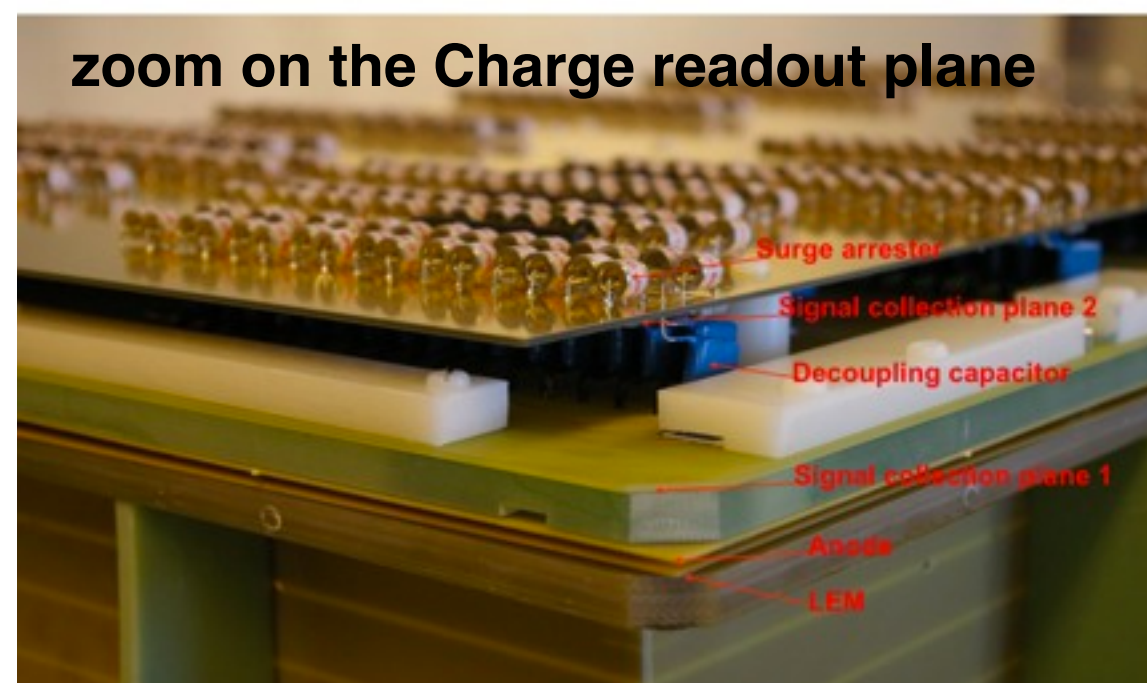
16 signal cables

charge readout plane

4 capacitive level meters

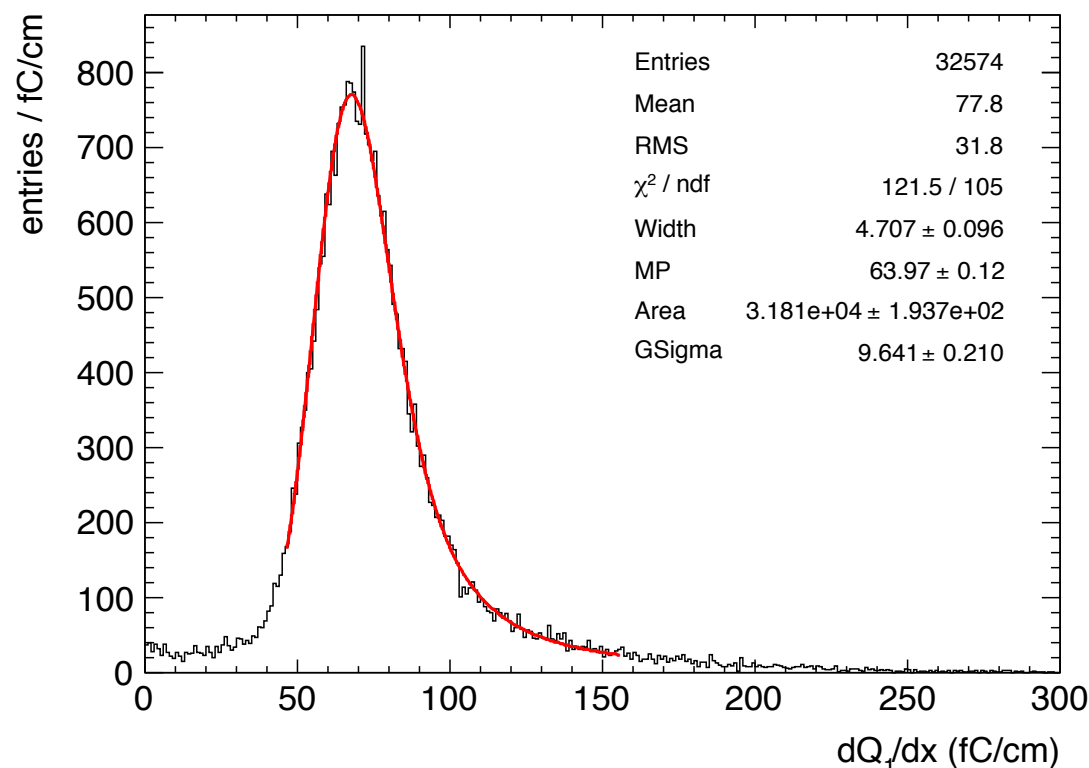
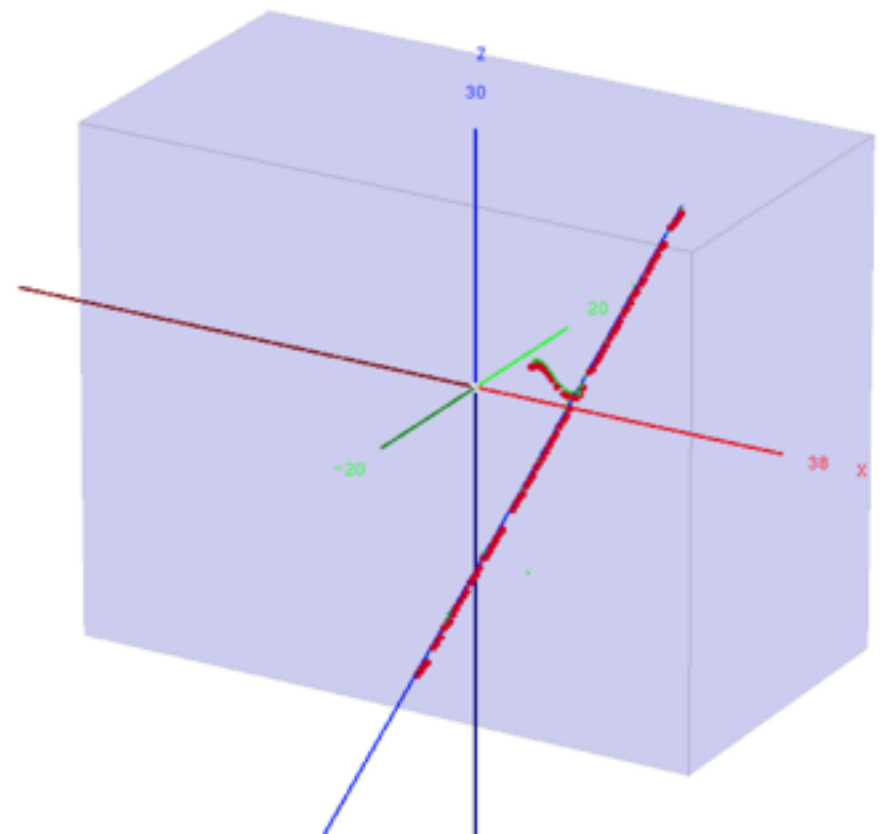
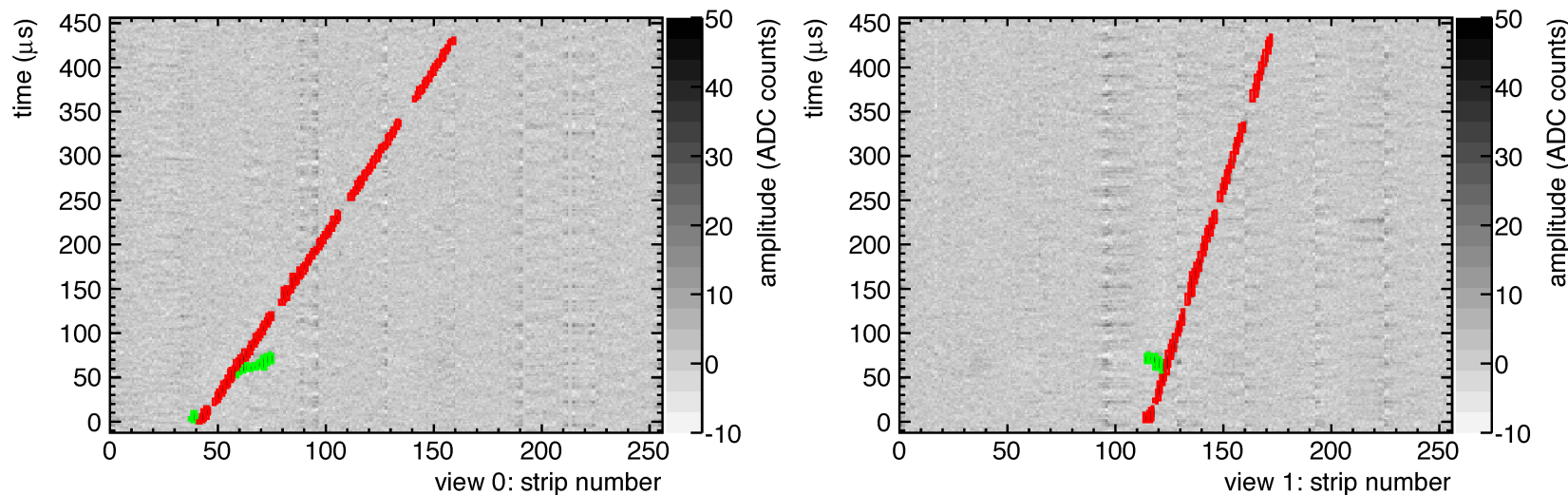


zoom on the Charge readout plane



We have operated the detector for the first time in October 2011 during more than 1 month.
 Operated under controlled pressure: 1023±1 mbar [A. Badertscher et al. JINST 8 \(2013\)P04012](#),

delta ray identified and reconstructed in 3D!



Effective gain:

$$(dQ/dx_{\text{view0}} + dQ/dx_{\text{view1}}) / dQ/dx_{\text{MIP}} (\approx 10 \text{ fC/cm})$$

$$\langle dQ/dx \rangle = 146 \text{ fC/cm}$$

➡ effective gain ≈ 14.6 , (S/N ≈ 30)

charge sharing between the two collection views:

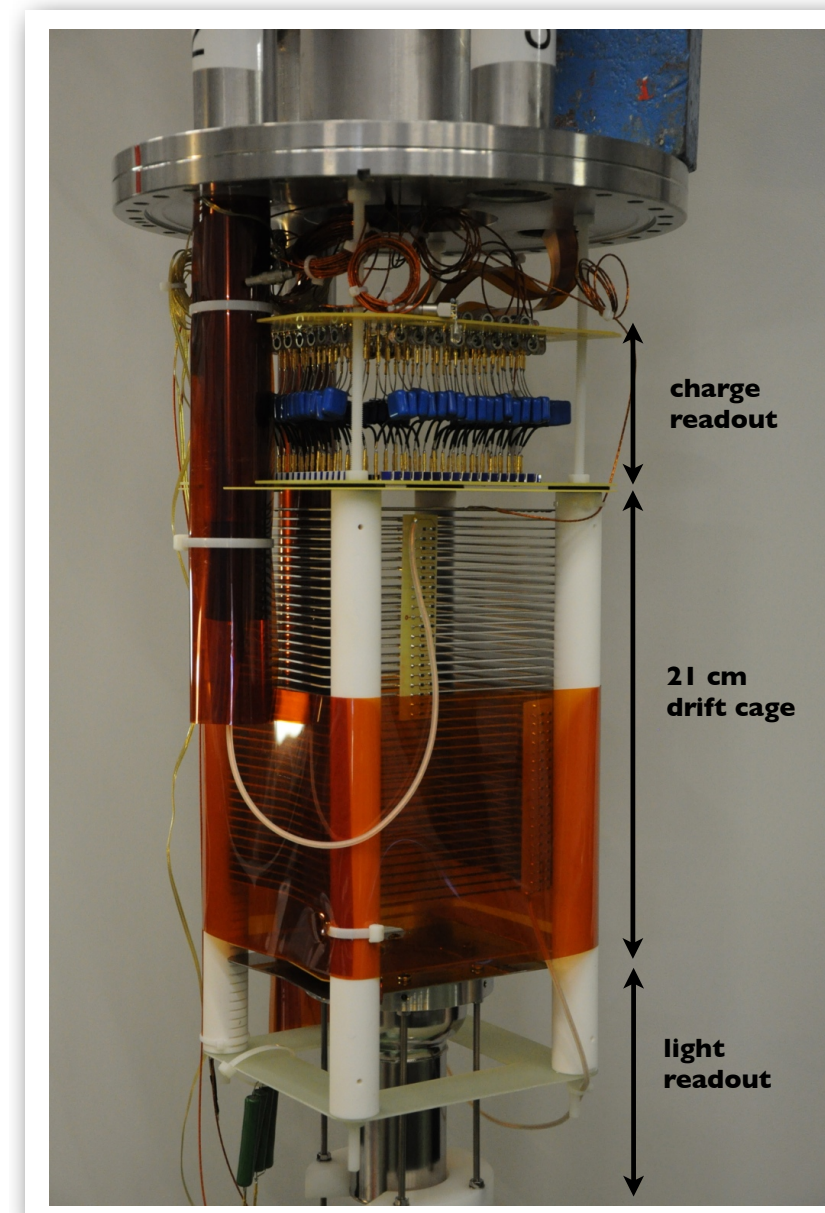
$$(Q_1 - Q_0) / (Q_1 + Q_0) \approx 8\%$$



With this small chamber, we can collect in a short amount of time a high quality and **large data-sets of cosmic muon**

Some of the things we tested:

- * **Uniformity** of the gain.
- * **Stability** of the gain and signal-to-noise-ratio for extended running periods.
- * **Discharges** across the LEM (how frequent? do they affect the gain?..)
- * How can we further **Simplify** the readout?



Towards large area readout - anode considerations

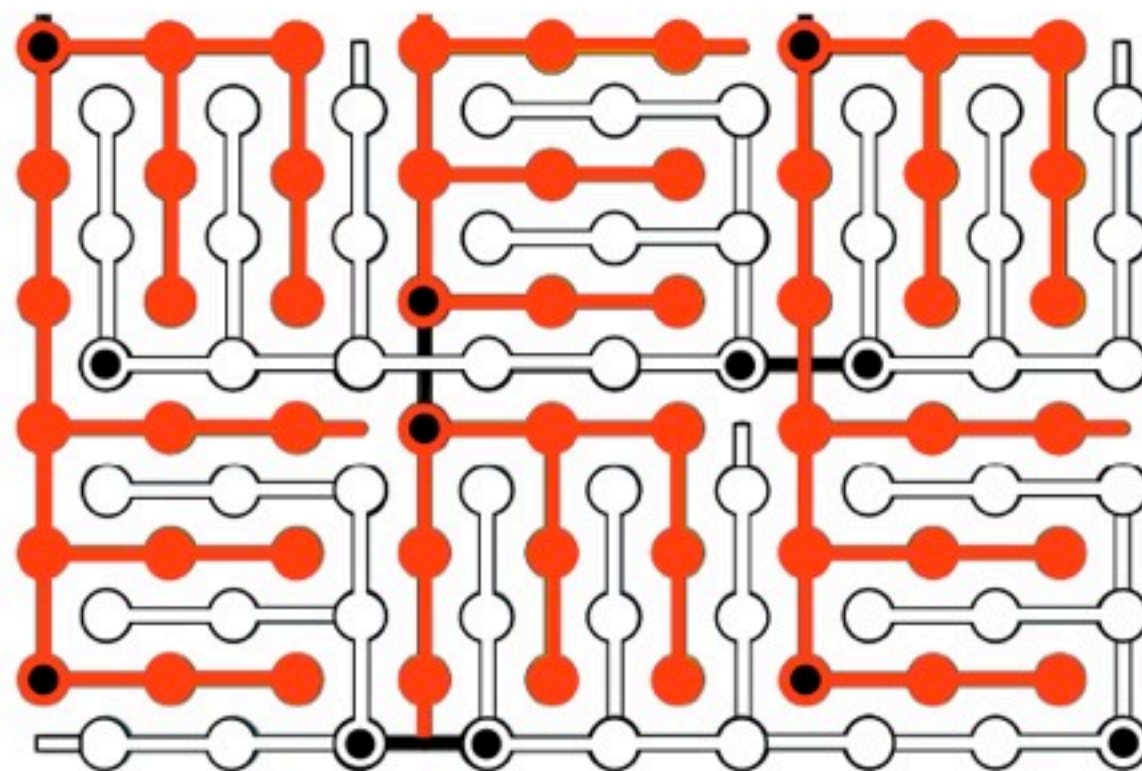
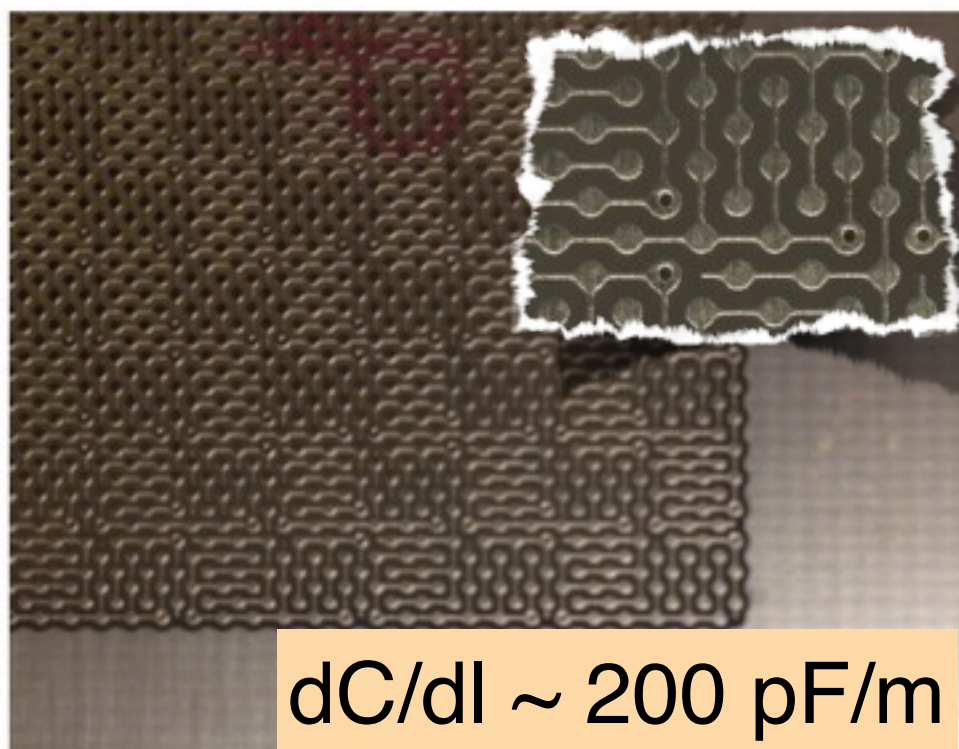
Goal: readout of at least 0.5x0.5 m²

need low capacitance readouts to go large dimensions

previous Kapton type anode dC/dl ~600 pF/m

the anode should:

- i) be easy to manufacture on large scale
- ii) have low capacitance to have long readout strips while keeping the noise to minimum.
- iii) have equal charge sharing between both views



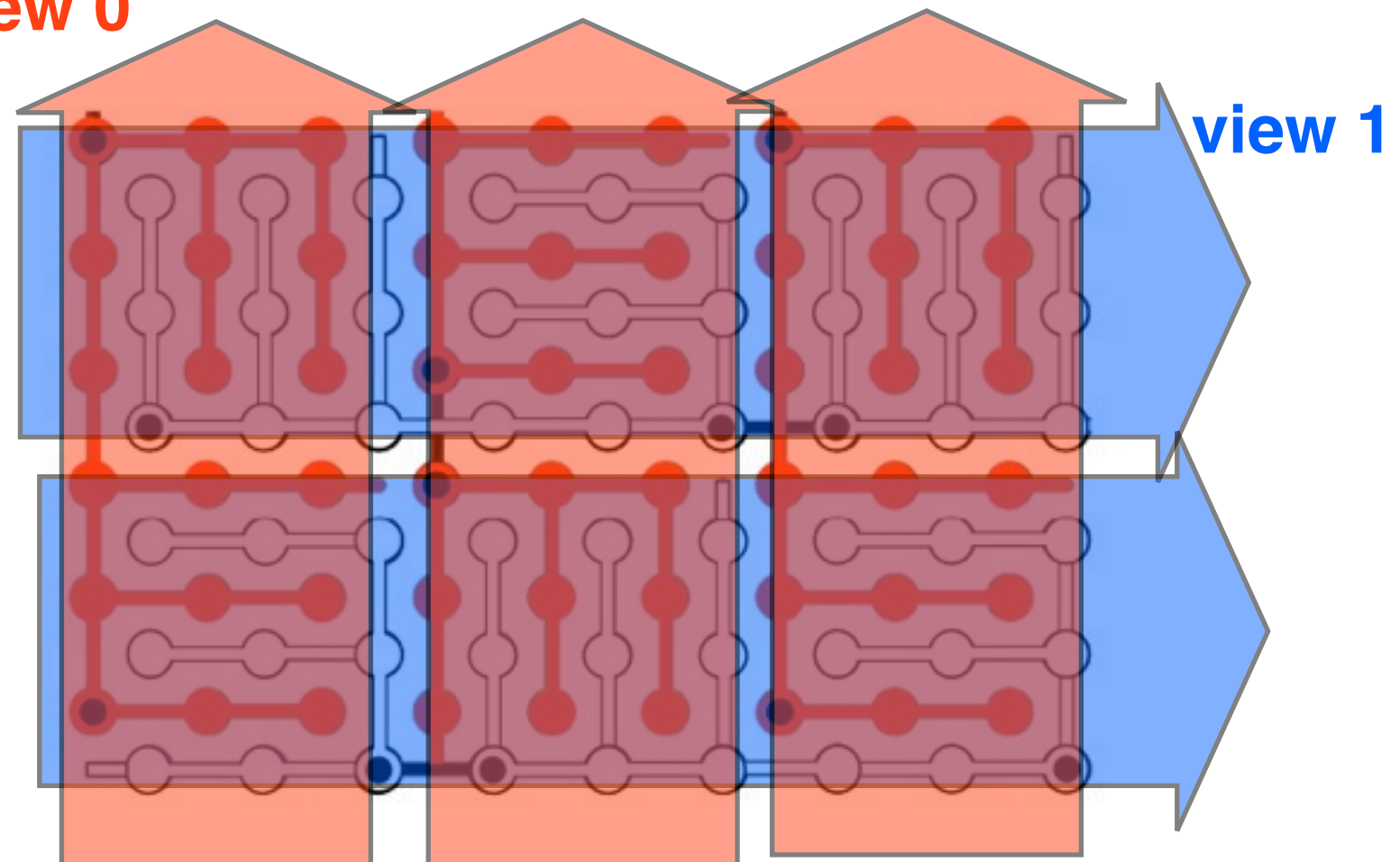
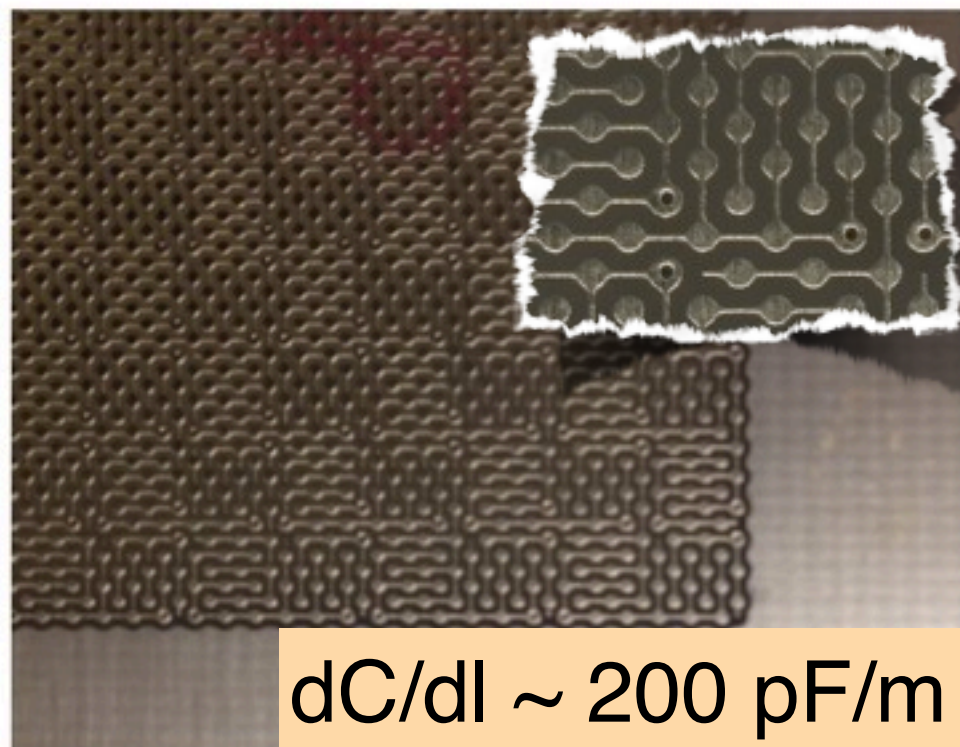
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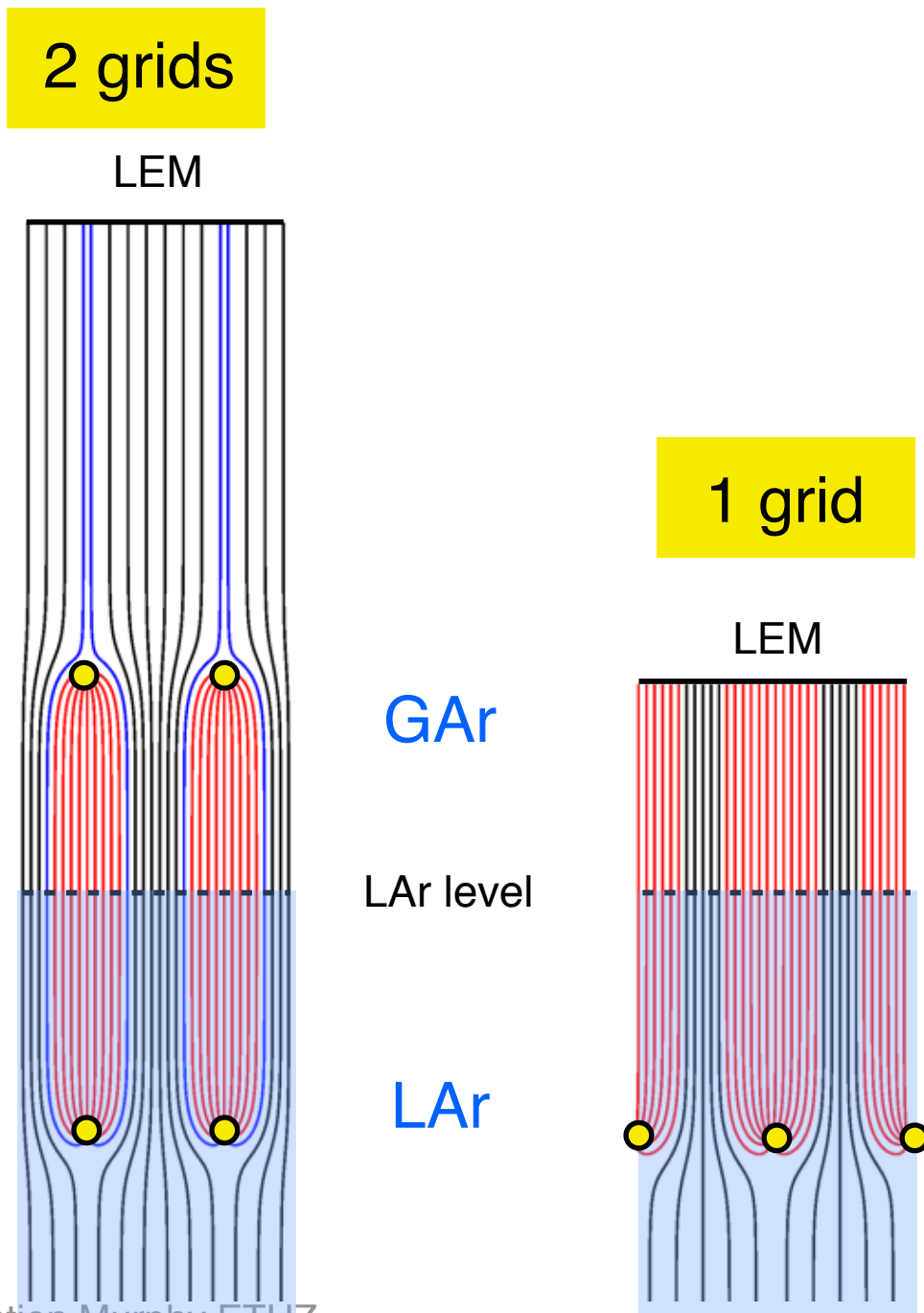


previous Kapton type anode $dC/dl \sim 600 \text{ pF/m}$

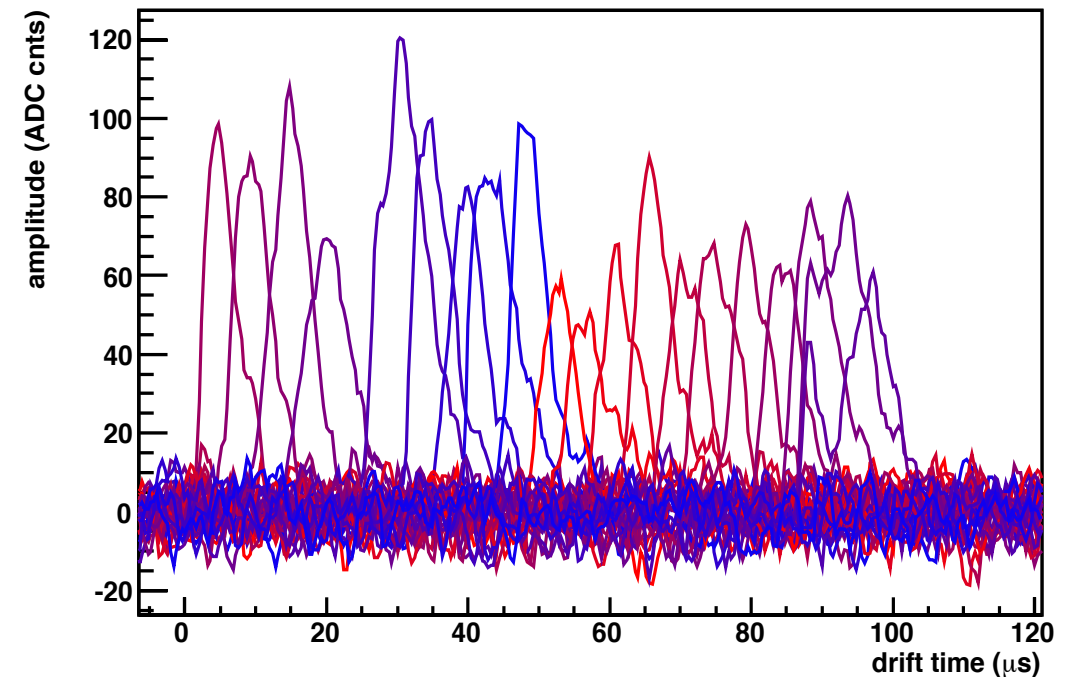
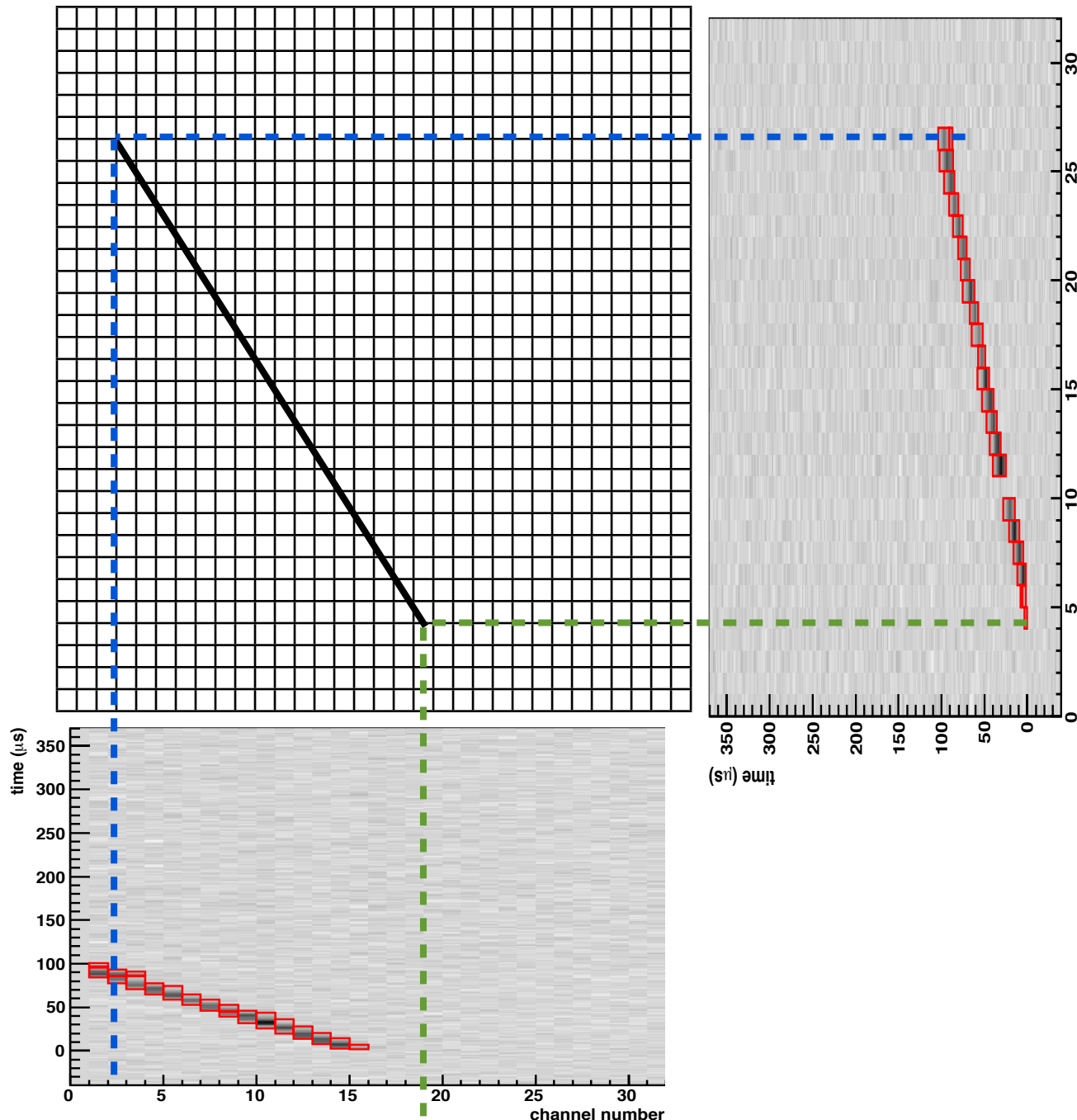
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ETH Simplifying the design- single extraction grid

- * Simplified scheme
- * Higher transparency possible (no alignment of grids needed)
- * Less absolute voltage



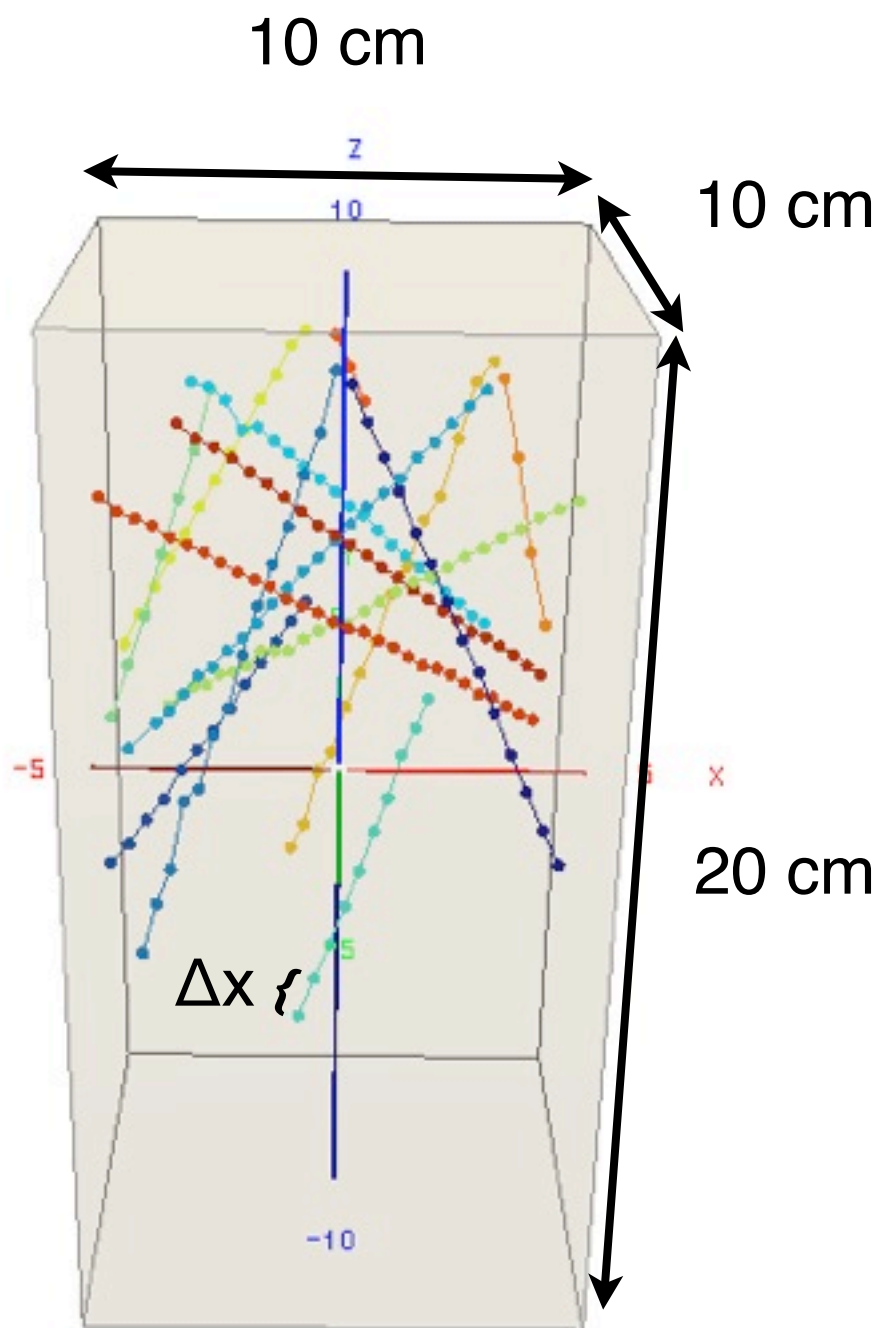
view 0



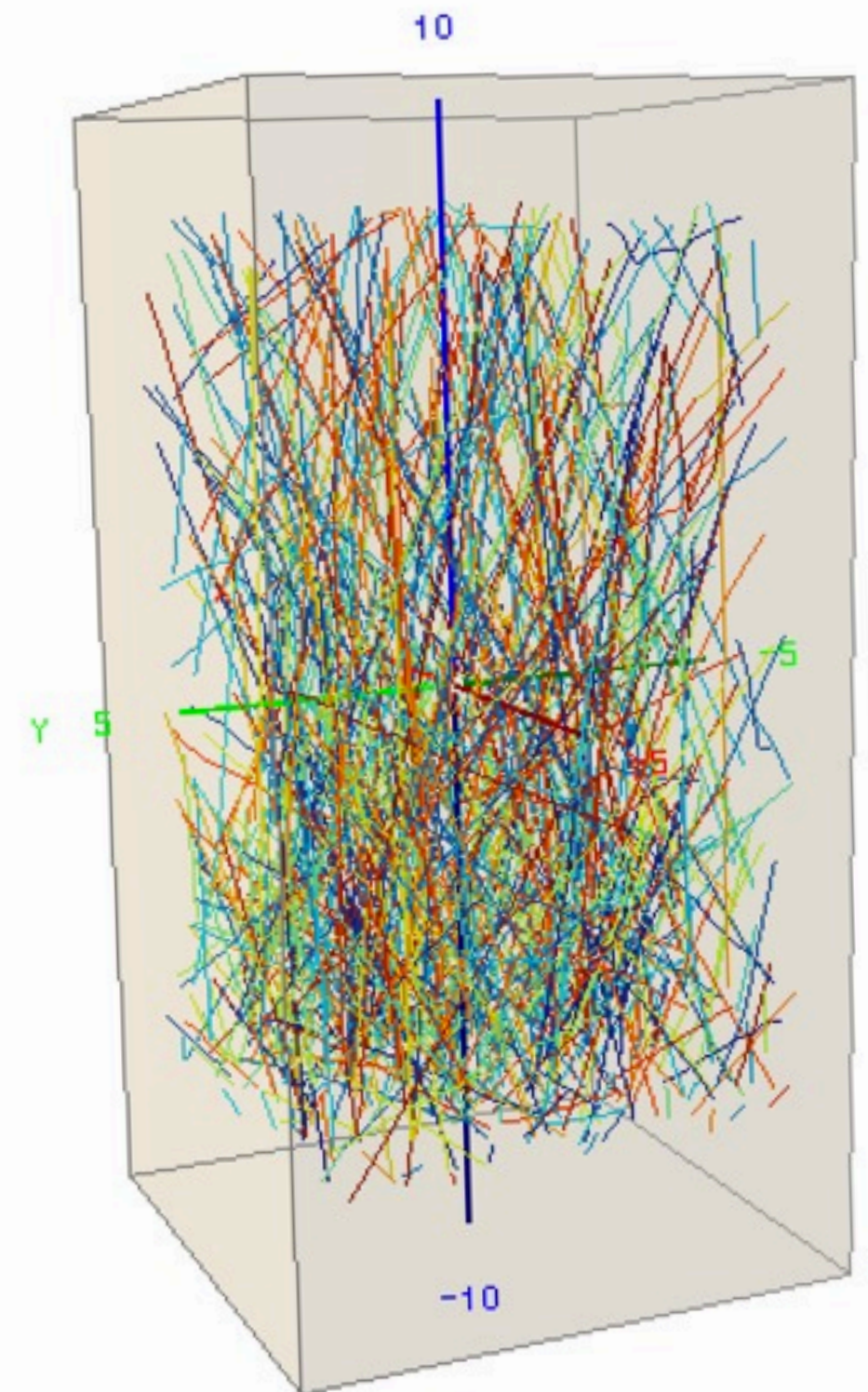
2 orthogonal projections (=views) are recorded

1. subtract noise, find signals (=hits, red boxes)
2. find straight tracks in each view
3. reconstruct 3D coordinates by matching coincident hits

→ ΔQ and Δx (3 dimensional track segment!)
for each view, literature: $\Delta Q/\Delta x = 10$ fC/cm
(mip)



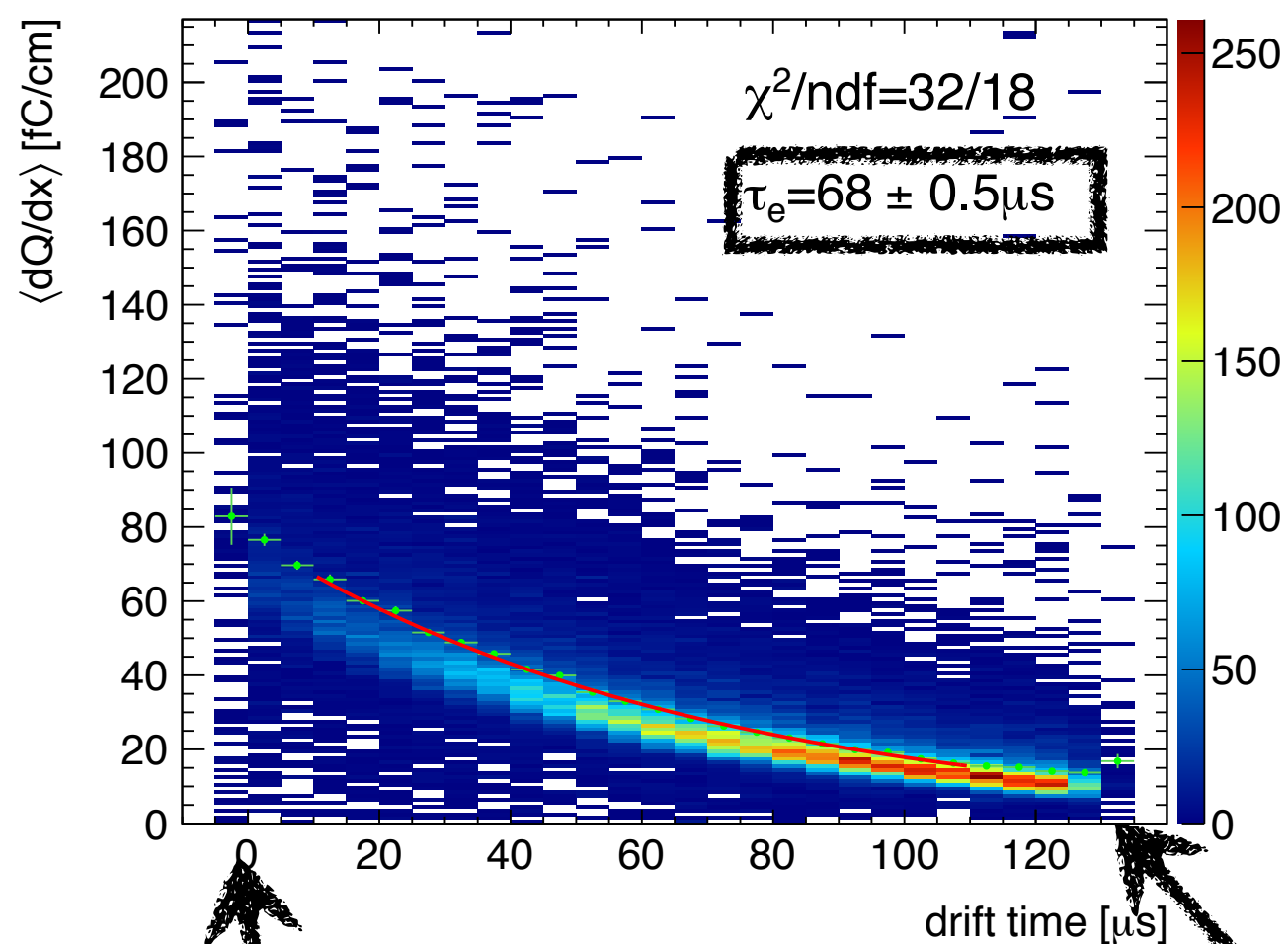
large statistics!



drifting electrons are trapped by impurities in LAr:

$$dQ/dx \propto \exp(-t_{\text{drift}}/\tau_e)$$

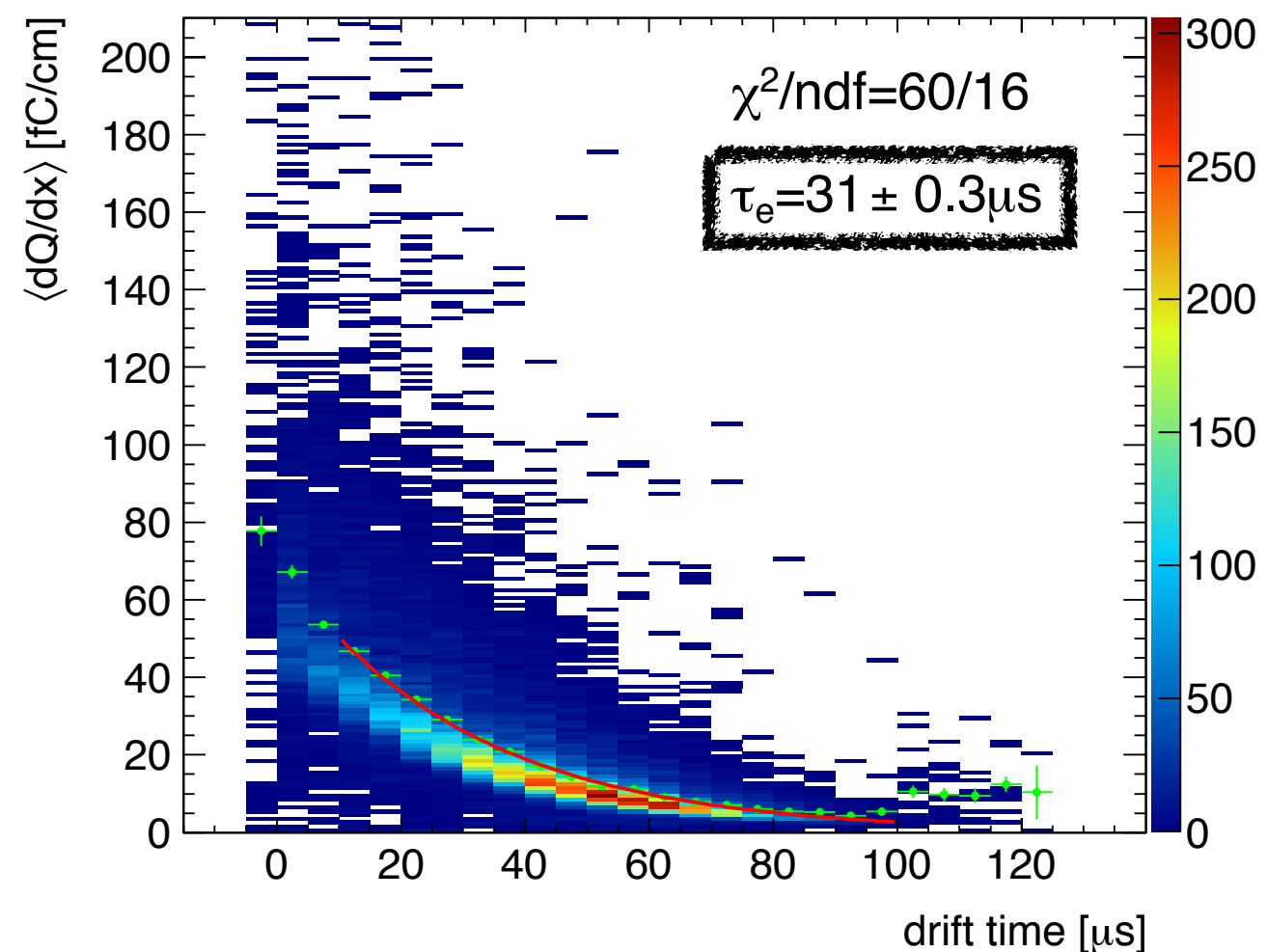
towards the beginning of a run



top of the chamber

bottom of the chamber

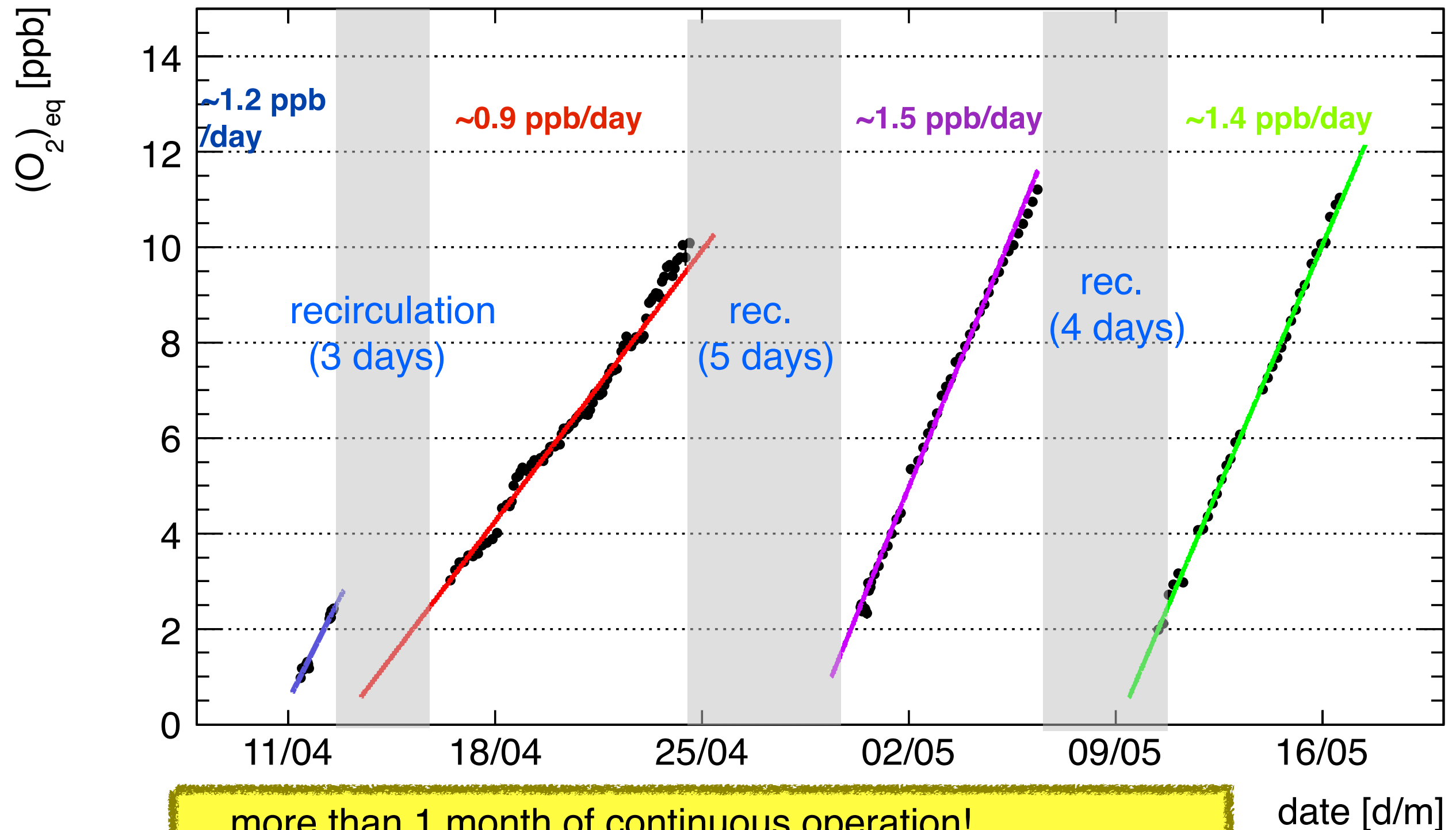
towards the end of a run



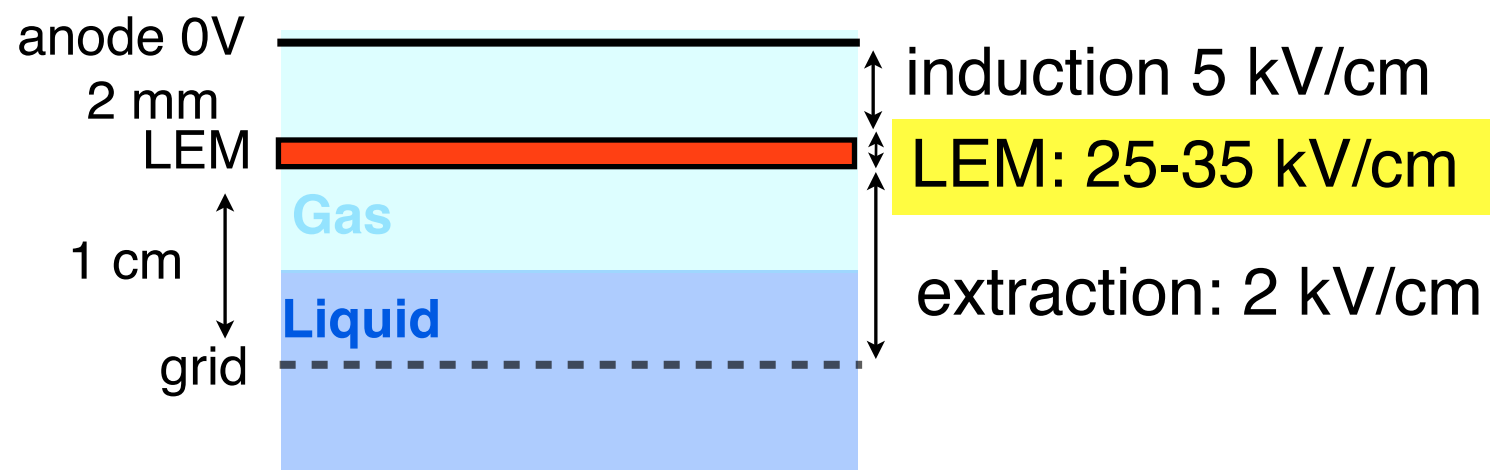
Evolution of the free electron lifetime

Impurities in the liquid: $[O_2]_{eq} \approx 300 \mu s / \tau_e$

4 runs. few days of gas recirculation between each run.

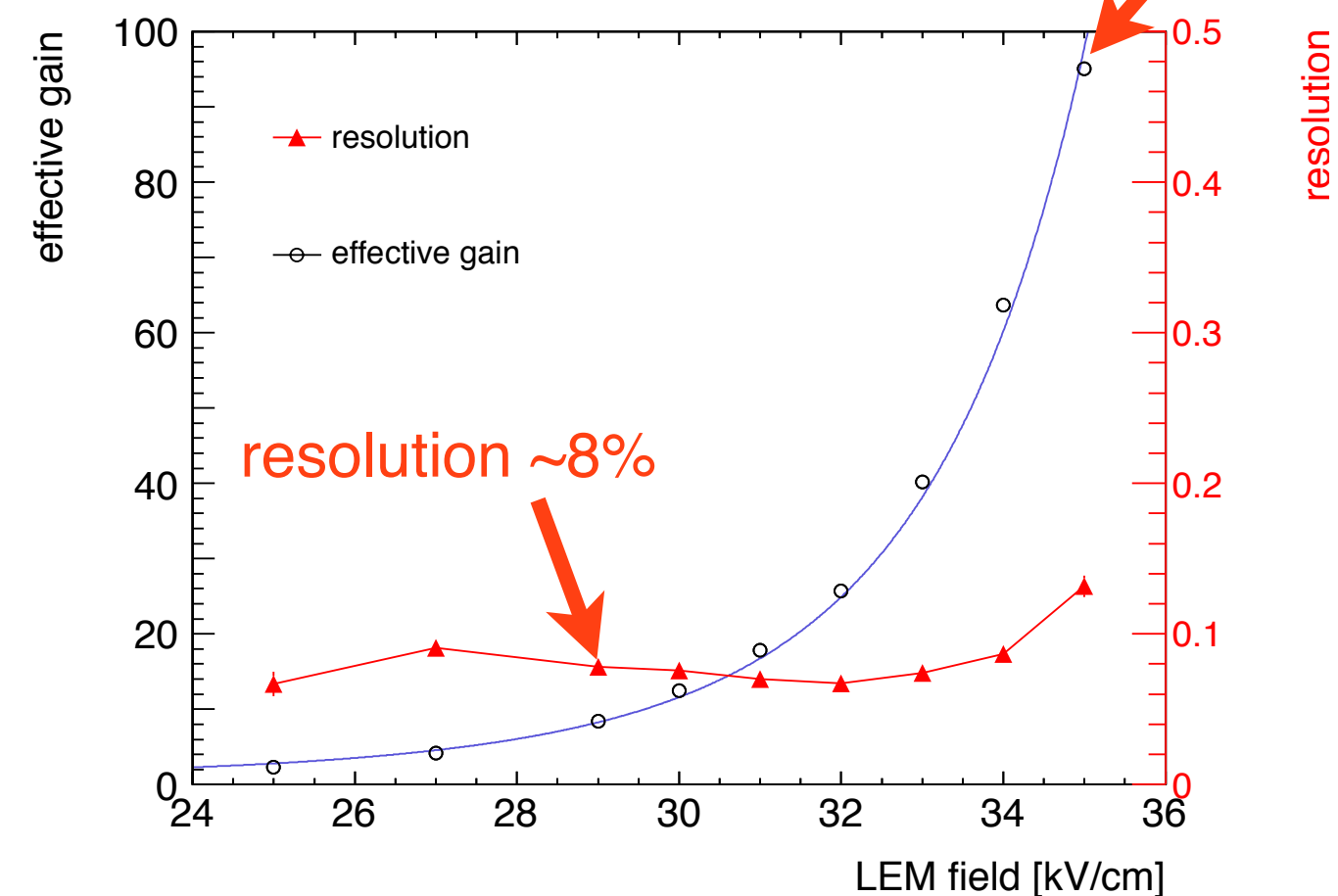


LEM field scan up to gain 90!

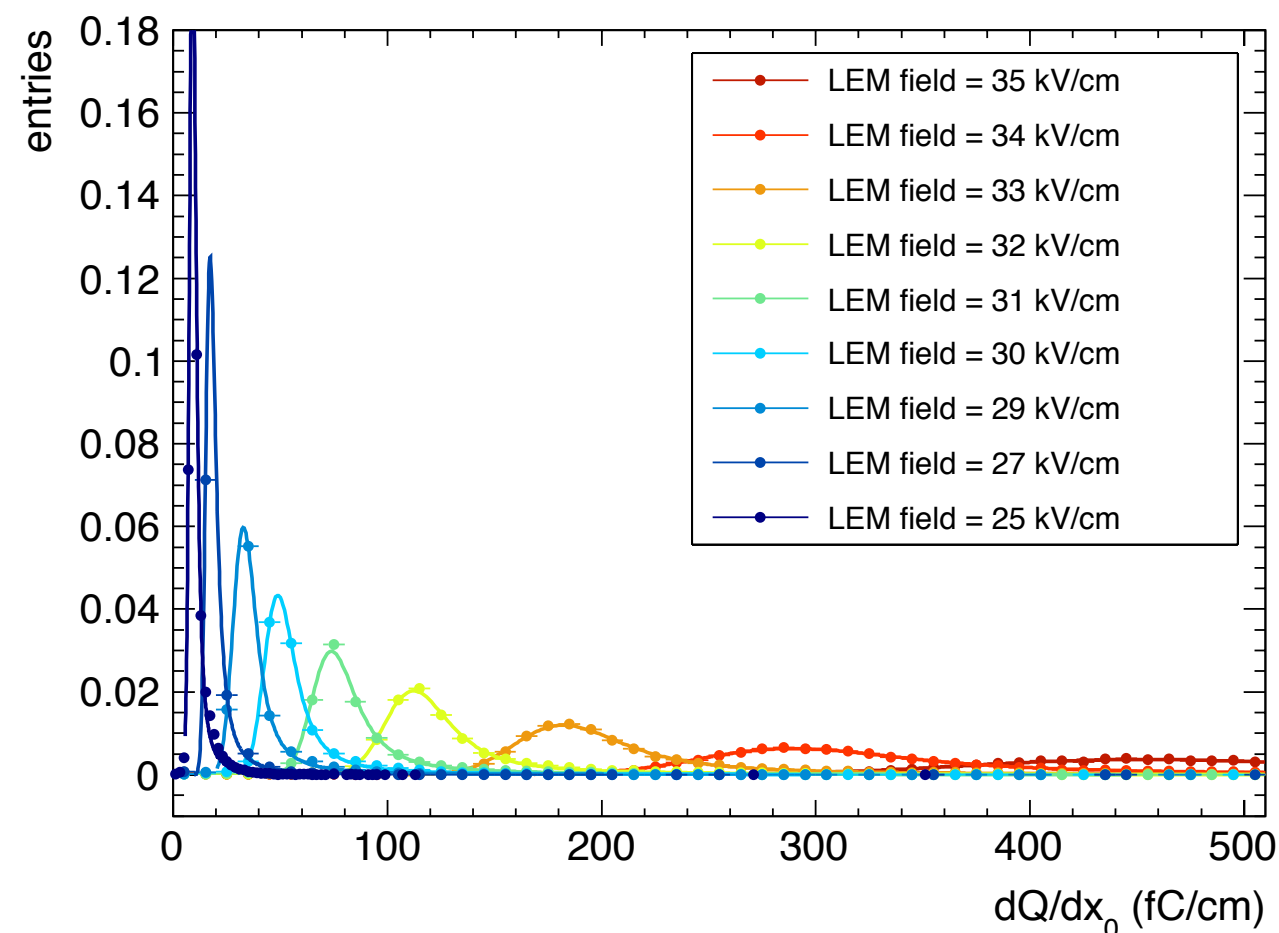


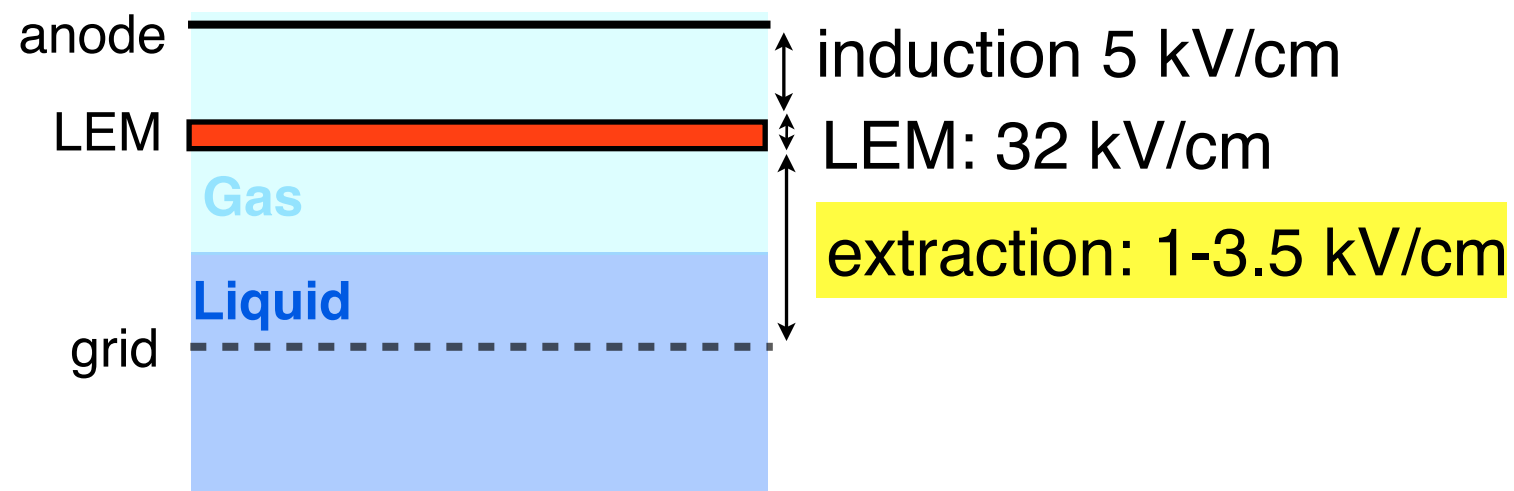
onset of discharges @ gain > 90!

gain and resolution for diff. LEM fields

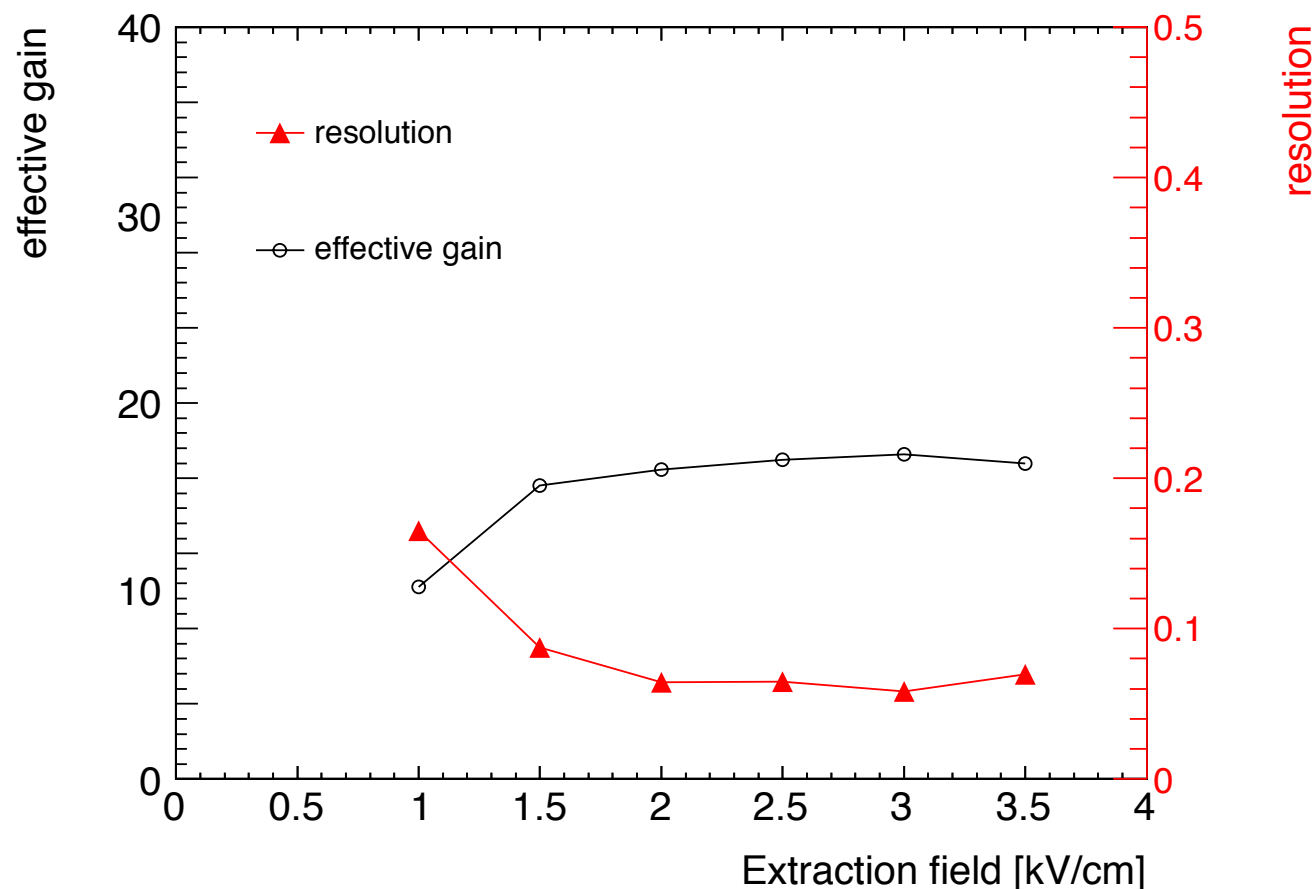


Landau distributions for diff. LEM fields

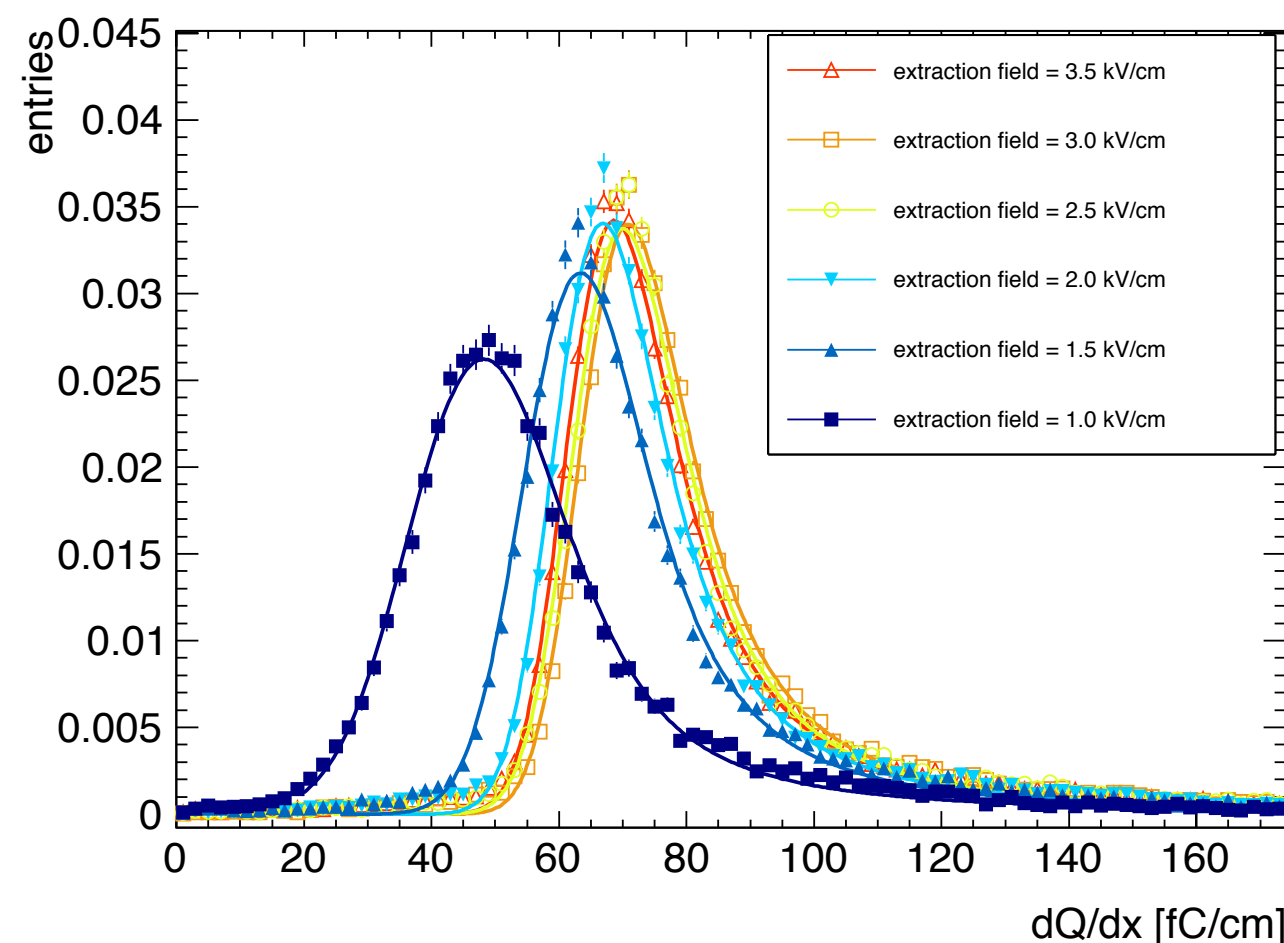




gain and resolution for diff. extr. fields



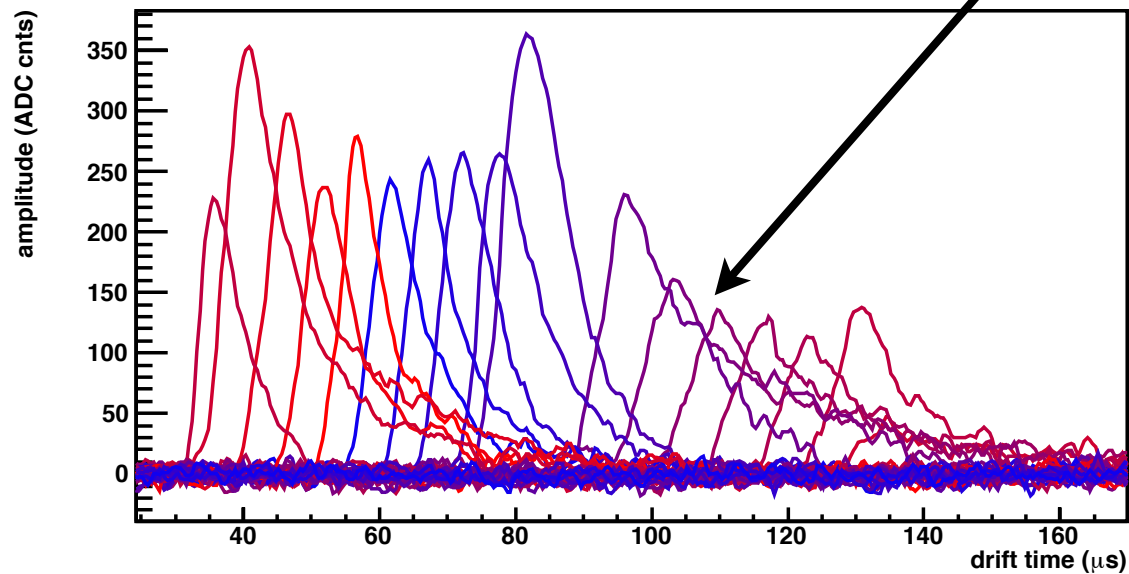
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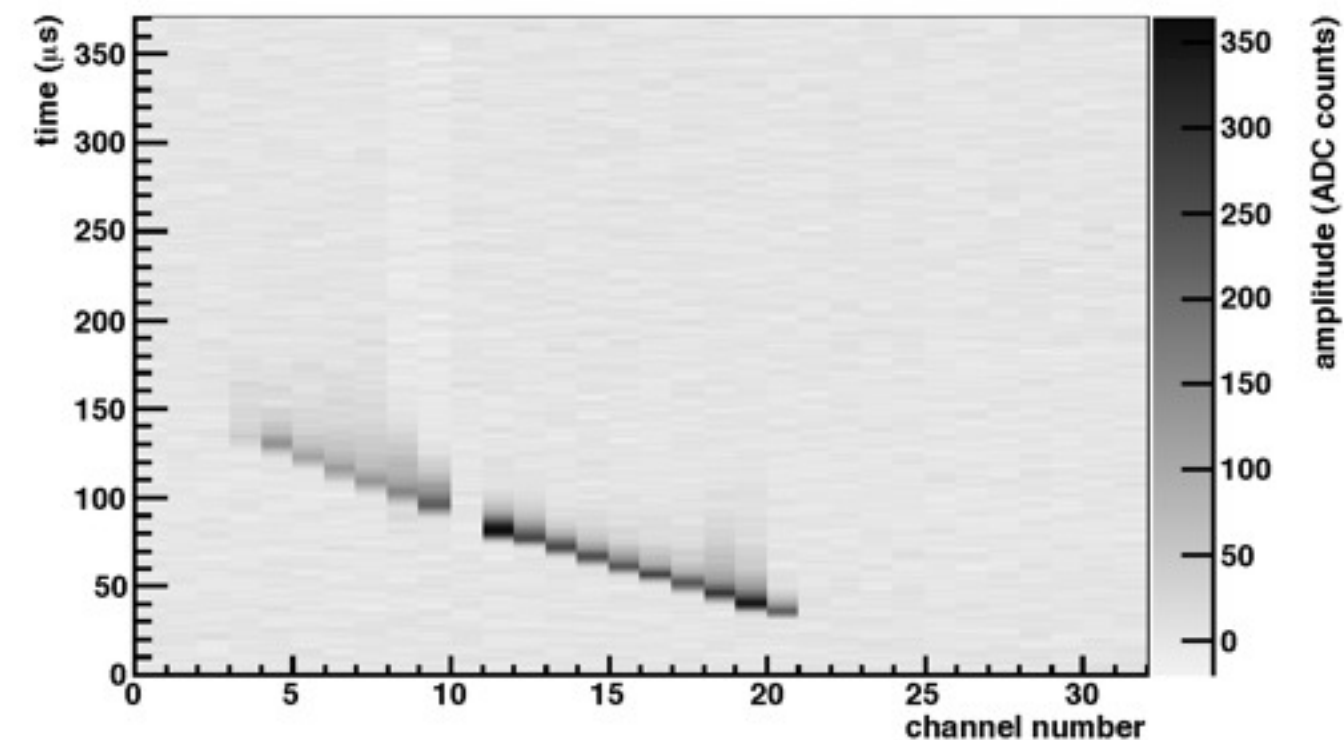
What happens at low extraction fields?

tails, due to slow electron emission at low fields (here: 1.5 kV/cm)

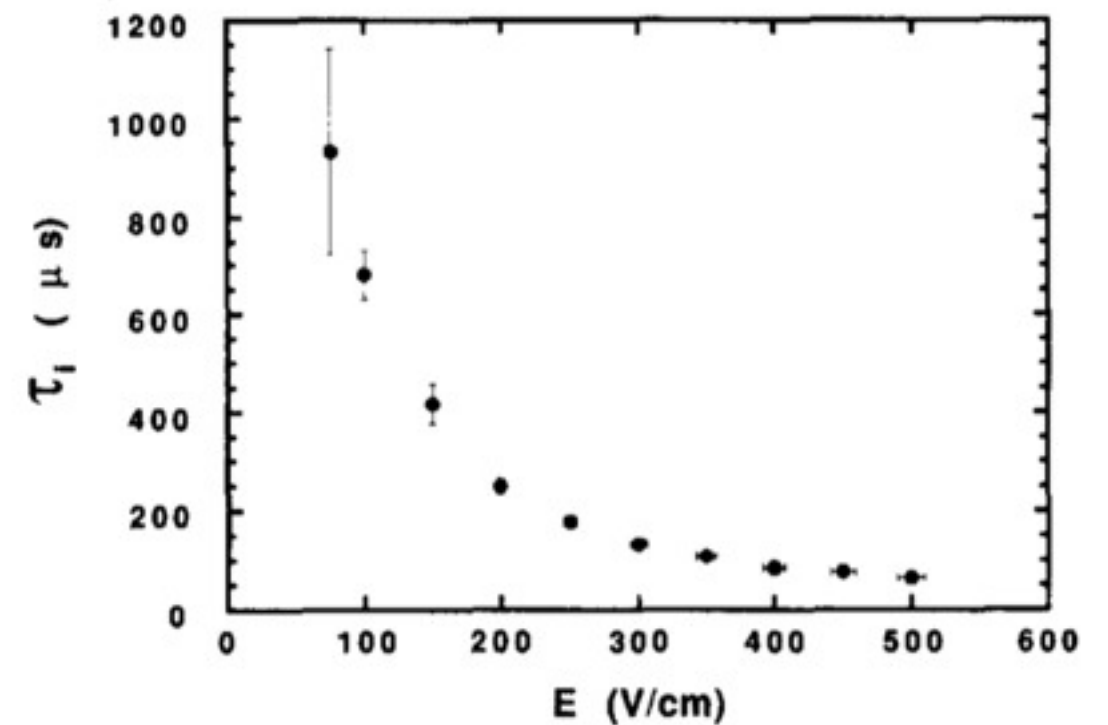
View 1: Signals (run 15957, event 6)



View 1: Event display (run 15957, event 6)



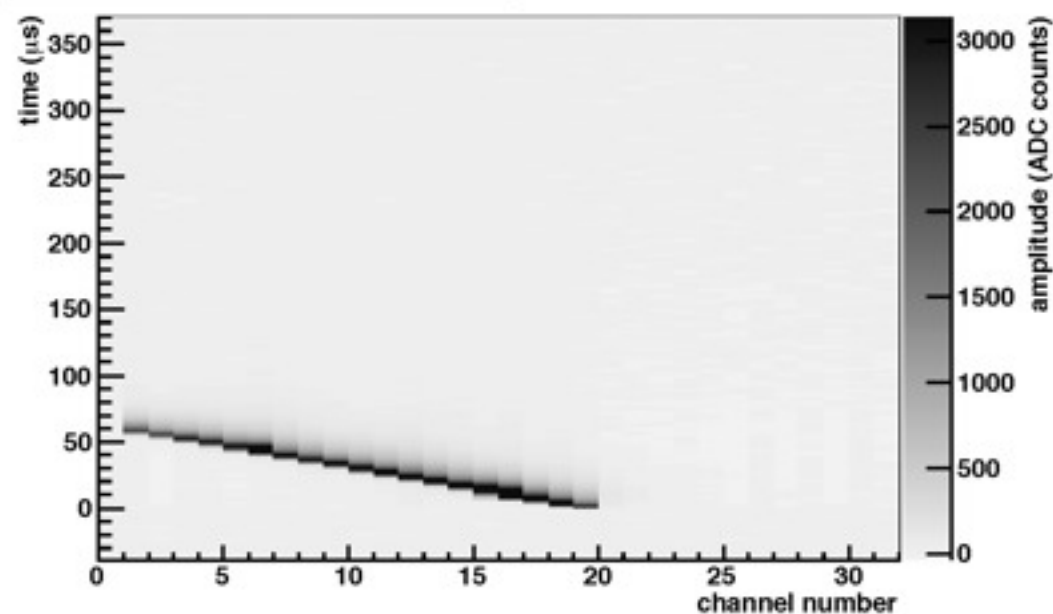
Literature:



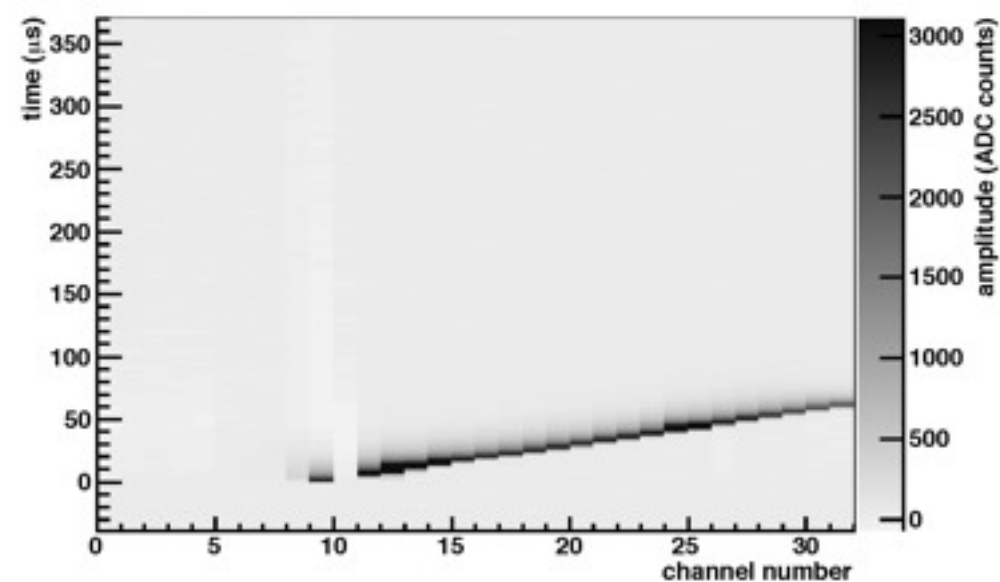
Borghesani et al., “Electron transmission through the Ar liquid-vapor interface”, Phys. Lett. A149 (9)

LEM: 35 kV/cm, induction: 5 kV/cm, extraction: 2 kV/cm, drift: 0.5 kV/cm

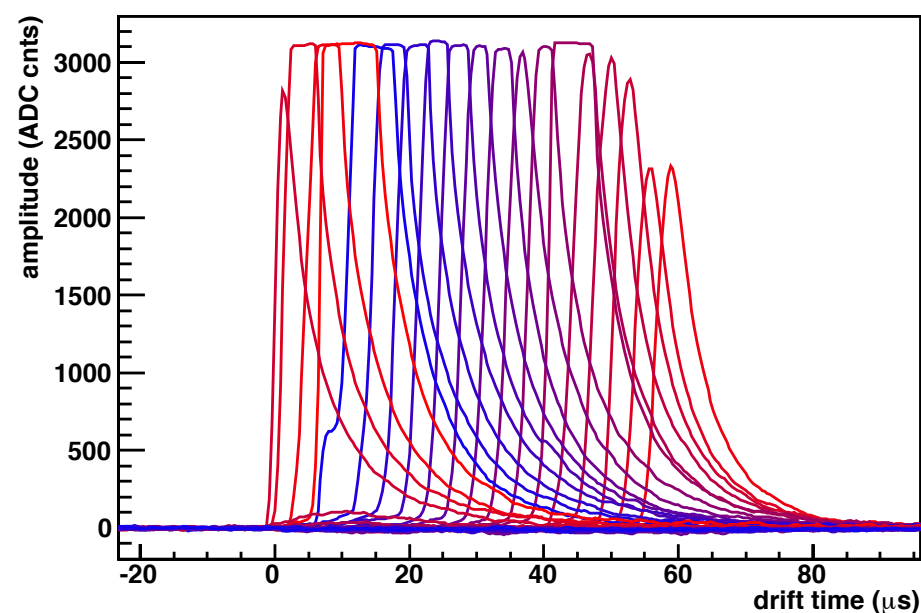
View 0: Event display (run 15949, event 21)



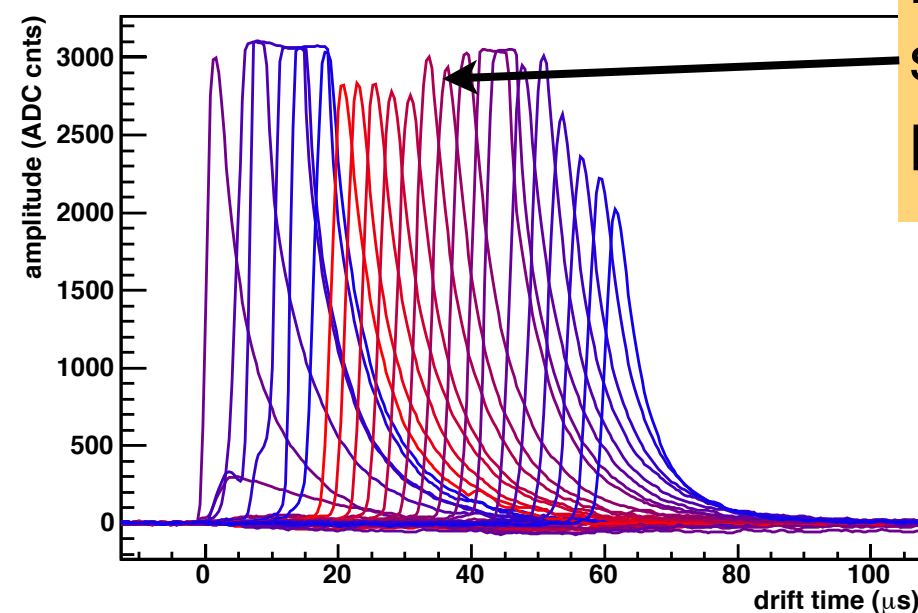
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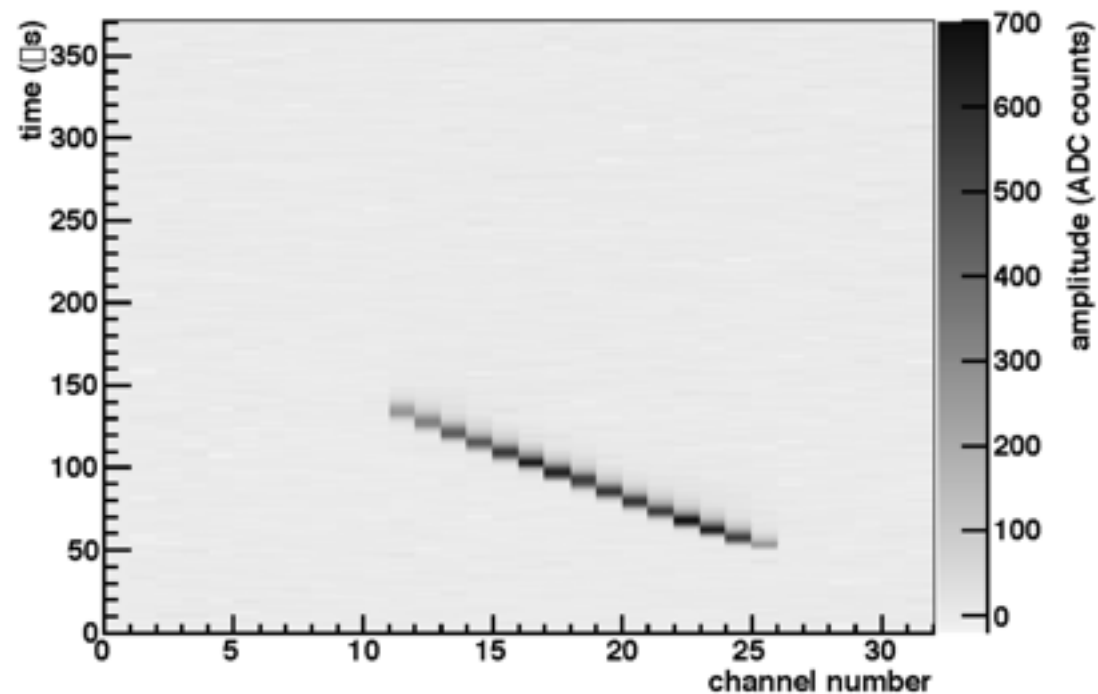
mip signals
saturate
preamplifier!

In future versions dynamic range of the preamp will be adapted to the gain.
non-linear behaviour to adapt to a wide dynamic range

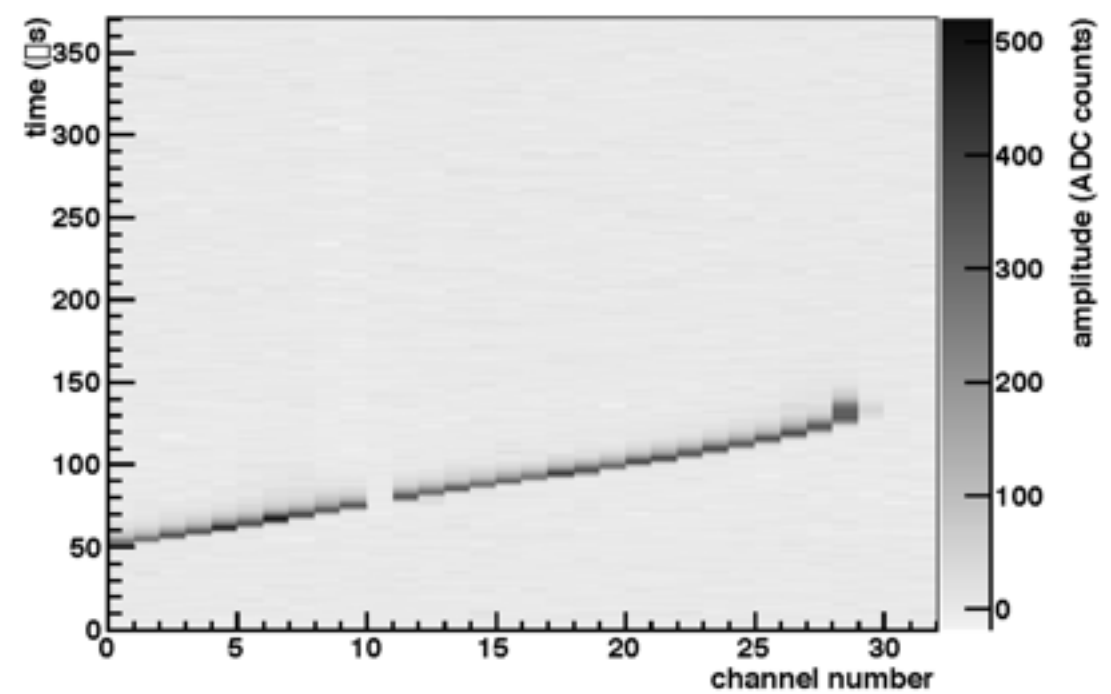
Event at effective gain ~ 20

LEM: 31 kV/cm, induction: 5 kV/cm, extraction: 2 kV/cm, drift: 0.5 kV/cm

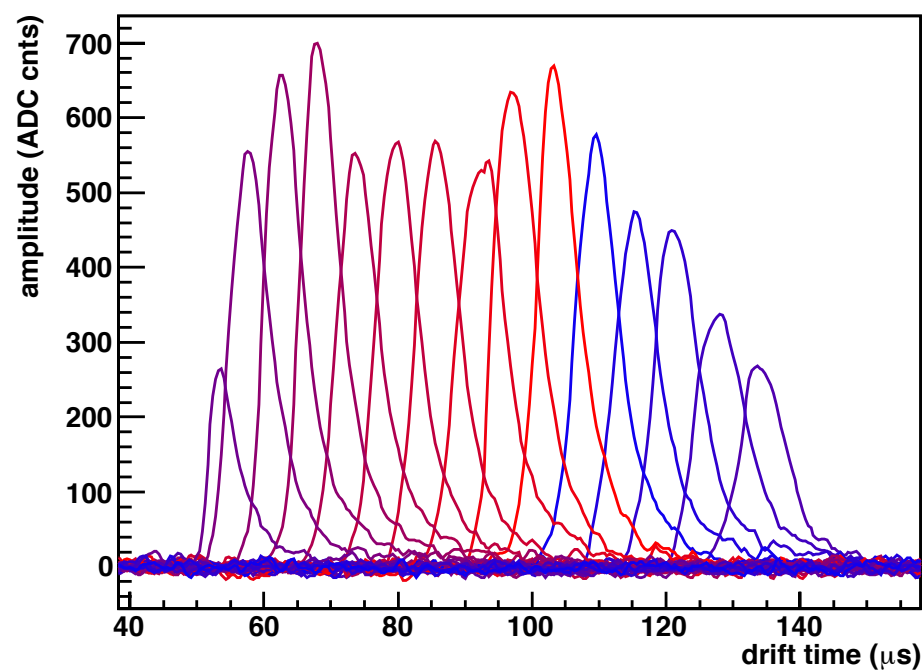
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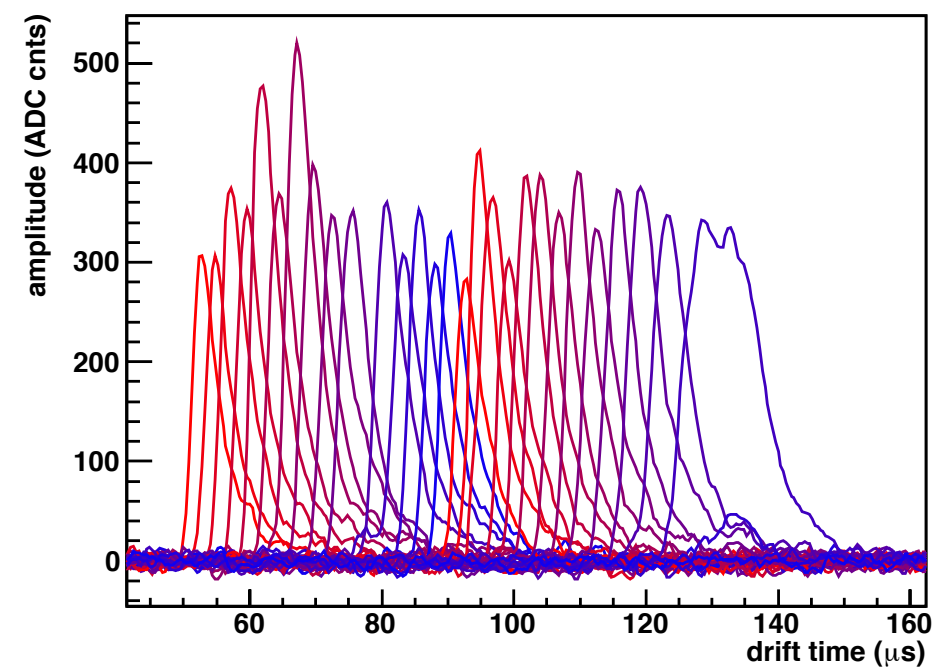
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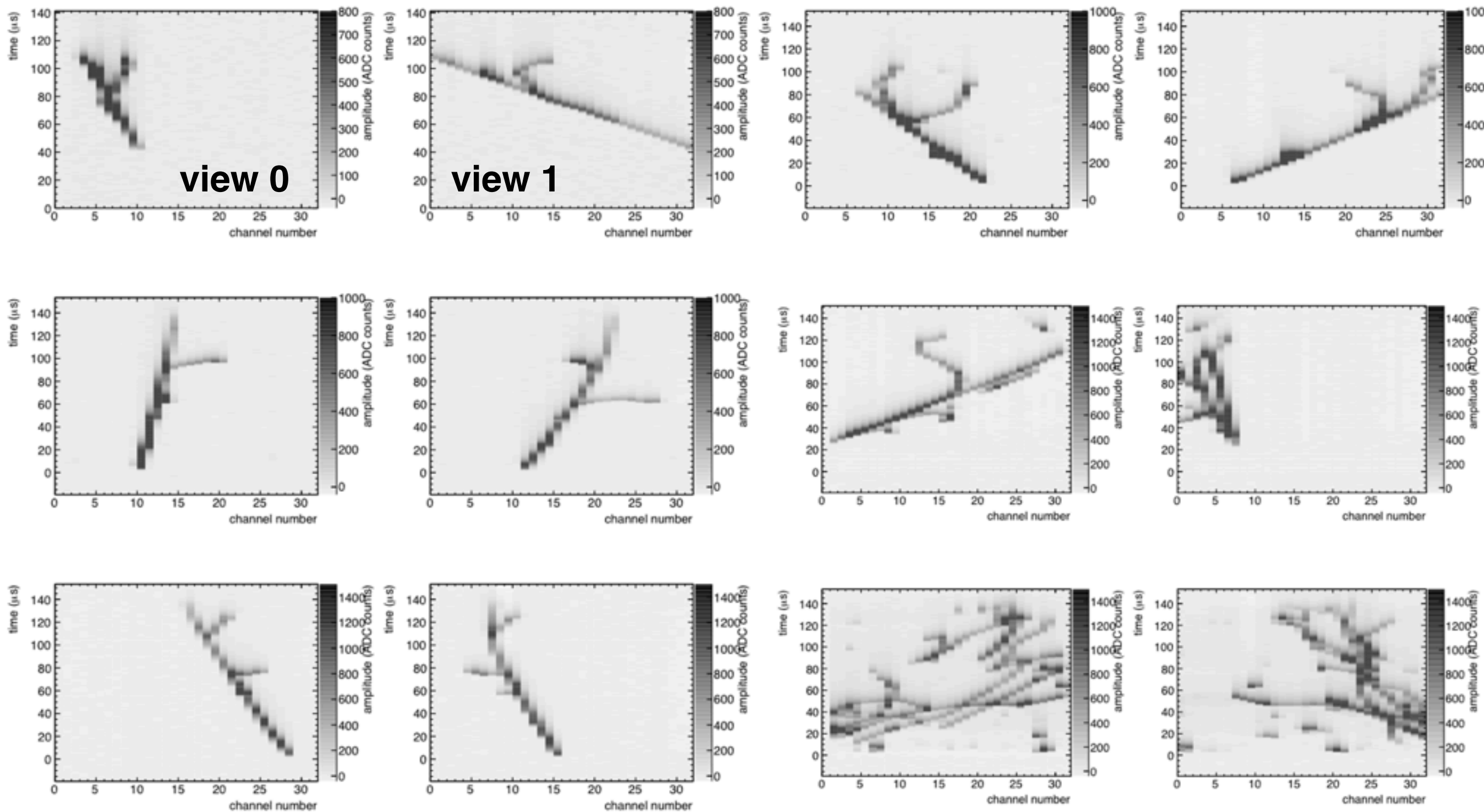
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View 1: Signals (run 15937, event 22)



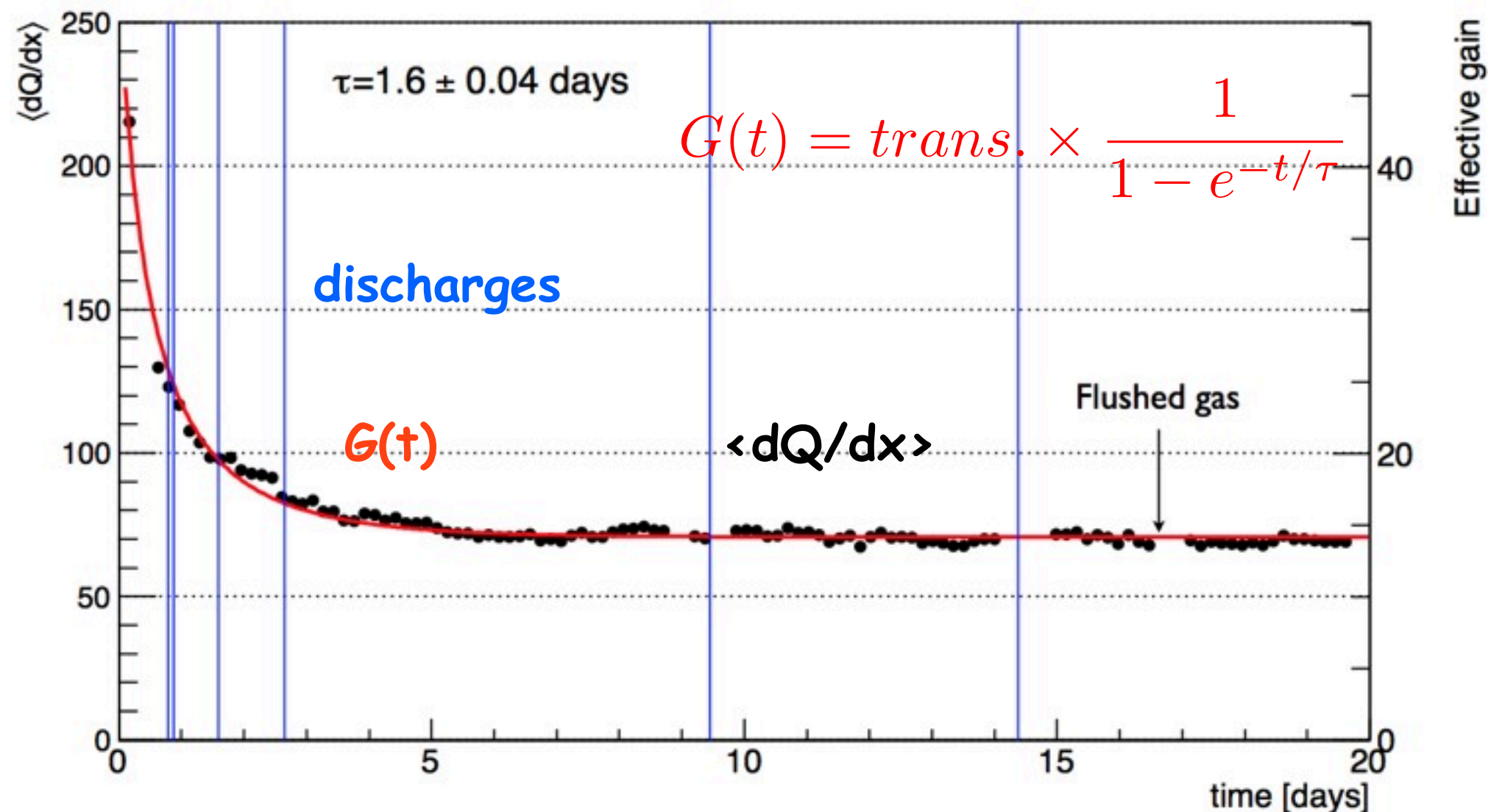
gain ~ 30



Evolution of $\langle dQ/dx \rangle$ corrected for variations of the pressure

* Gain is stable over a period of ~ 15 days once the LEM has charged up (w/ time constant $\tau \sim 1.5$ days)

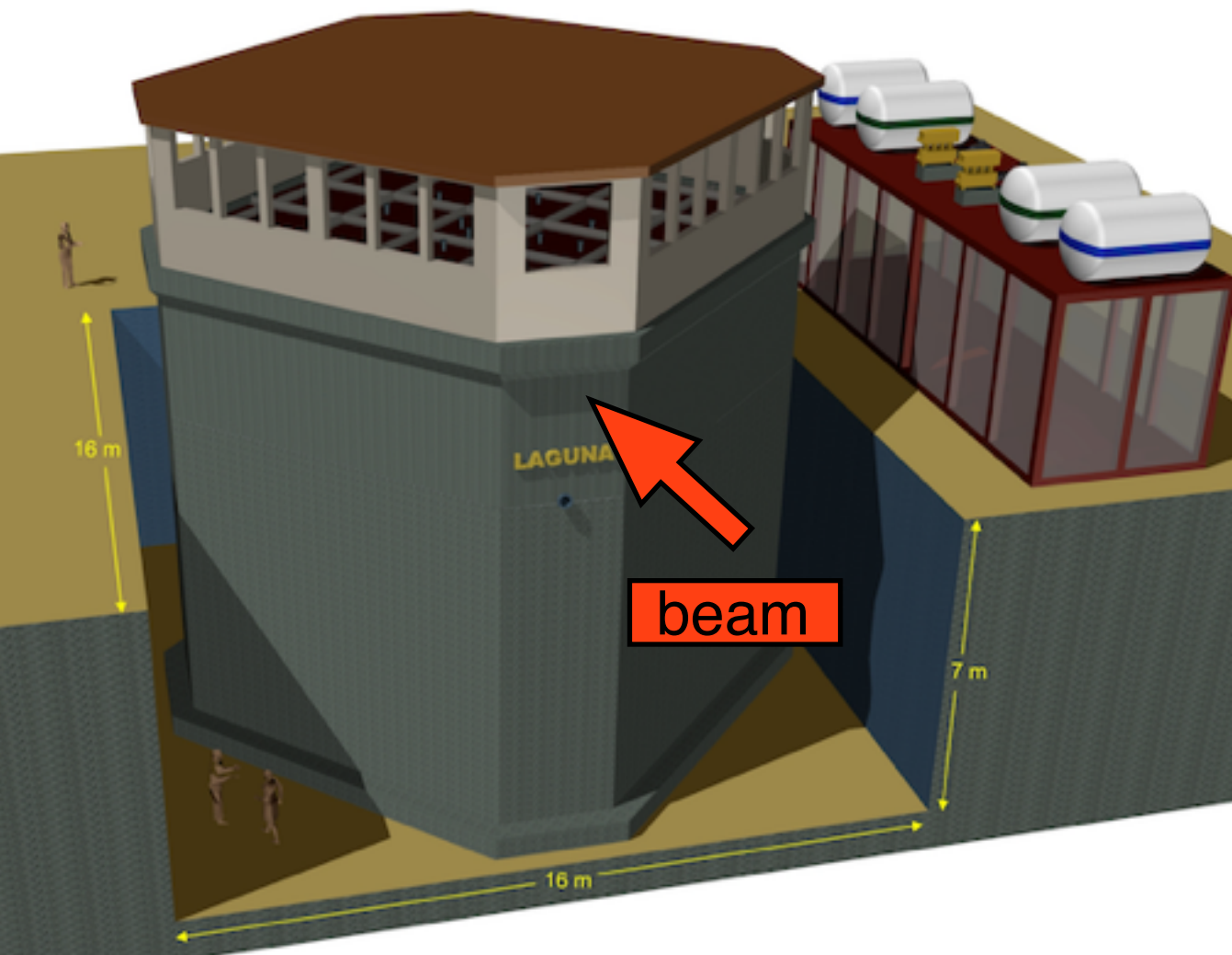
* The discharges do not lead to a change of overall gain



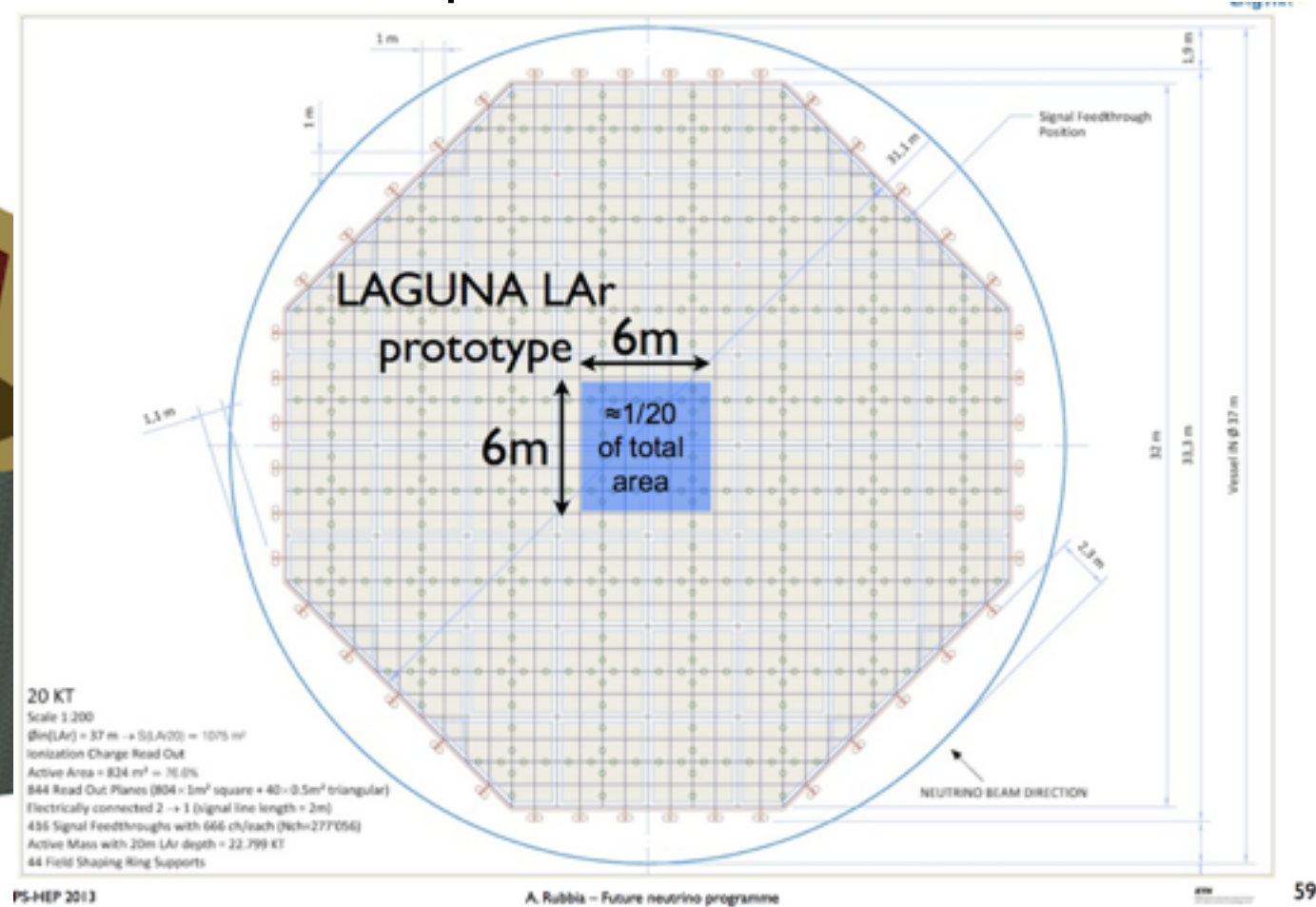
~ 15 days operation under stable gain of ~ 15

Next milestone: 6x6x6m³ prototype

Next milestone: Large-scale LBNO detectors prototyping at CERN, with priority emphasis on a large double-phase LAr demonstrator, using charged-particle test beams (2014-2017). TDR submitted to SPS Committee in June.



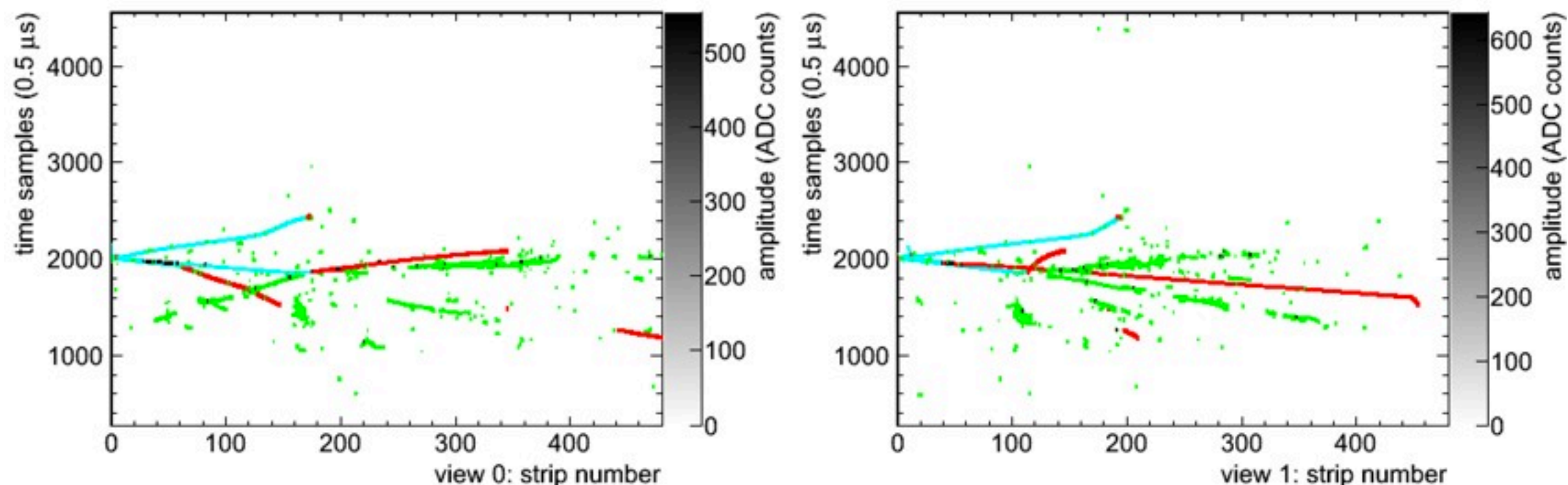
6x6x6m³ compared to GLACIER 20 kt



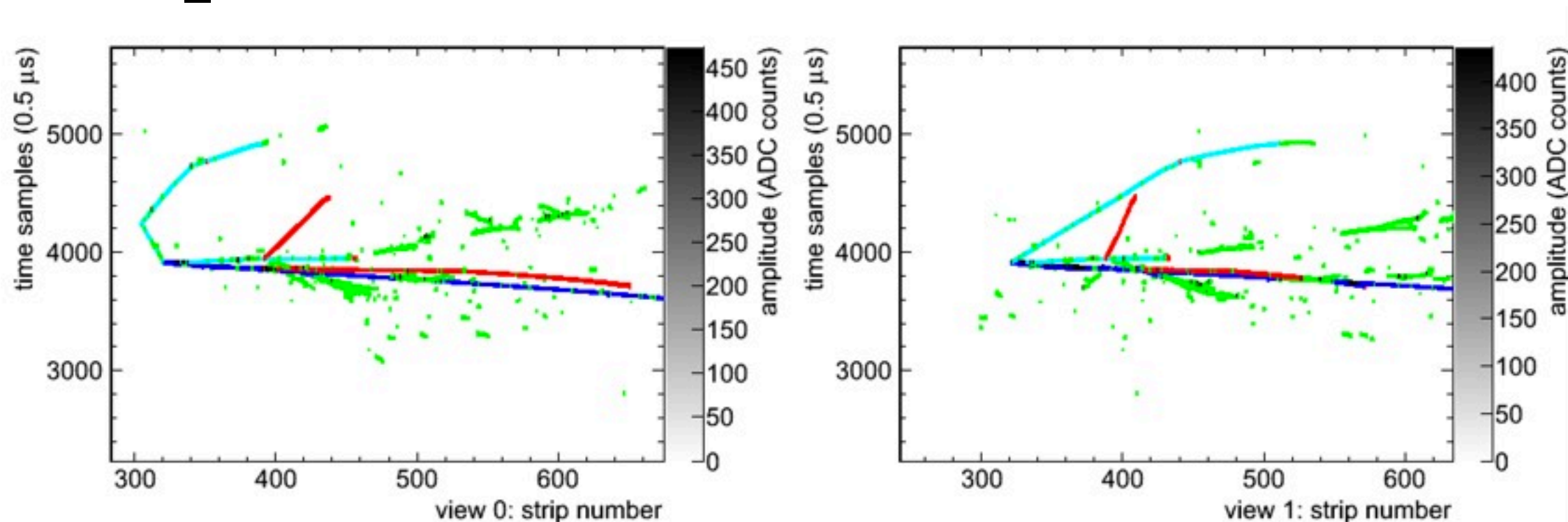
Simulated events in the 6x6x6m³ prototype

5 GeV pi-

pions, electrons/positrons, protons, muons

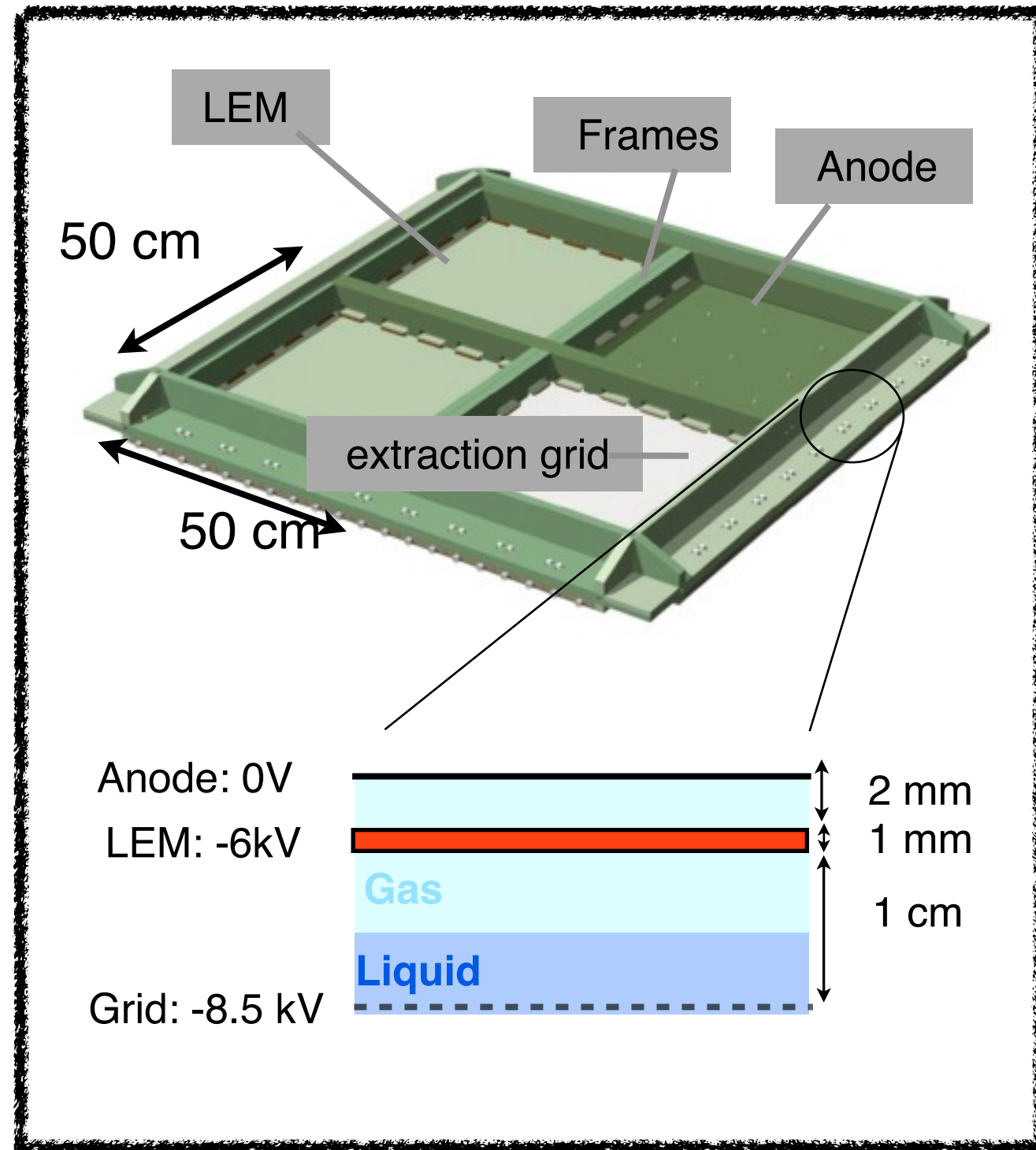
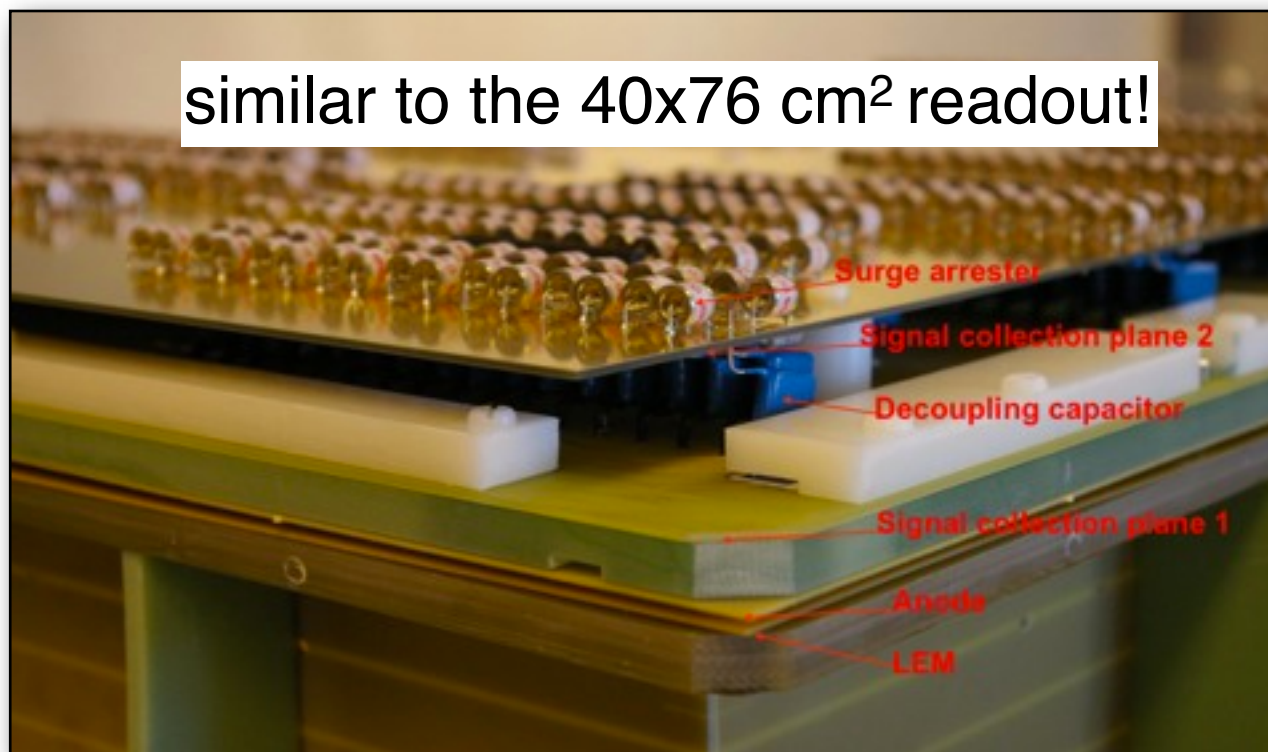


5 GeV nu_mu



test reconstruction algorithms on data from charged particle beam

- * Independent modules of 50x50 cm².
- * Single extraction grid.
- * LEM 1mm thick 500 um holes 800 um pitch.
- * Anode with ~200 pF/m
- * Front end readout electronics
- * Overall Mechanical structure



* LAGUNA/LBNO is a project with a very rich and interesting physics program with **fundamental discovery potential**.

* The LAGUNA-LBNO collaboration decided to propose stage I of 20kt LAr + 700 kW SPS at 2300km of baseline

* Outstanding Physics Potential:

1. Accelerator based:

- Mass Hierarchy $> 5 \sigma$ all phase space in 2y • δCP
- MSNP precision $\rightarrow 3 \nu$ or $3+n$?

2. Non Accelerator based:

- Proton decay: Significantly extended sensitivity to nucleon decay in many channels.

$$\text{Br}(p \rightarrow \text{anti-}\nu K) > 2 \times 10^{34} \text{y (90\%C.L.)} \quad \text{Br}(n \rightarrow e K^+) > 2 \times 10^{34} \text{y (90\%C.L.)}$$

3. Neutrino Astronomy:

- Supernova neutrinos > 10000 's events @ SN explosion @ 10kpc
- Diffuse Supernova Neutrinos (DSN)
- Neutrinos from DM annihilation
- Atmospheric Neutrinos (5600 events/y)

- * significant R&D efforts and results towards large Double LAr detectors:
 - * optimization of the charge readout.
 - * Good performance of low capacitance PCB anode.
 - * reached gains higher than 90.
 - * Chosen working point with gain about 15 is stable over a period of several weeks.
- * We are now proposing a demonstrator for the double phase LAr technology at a relevant scale $6 \times 6 \times 6 \text{m}^3$ (216m^3).
- * TDR submitted to CERN in June.
- * In the process of completing the design of a 1 square meter Charge Readout Plane

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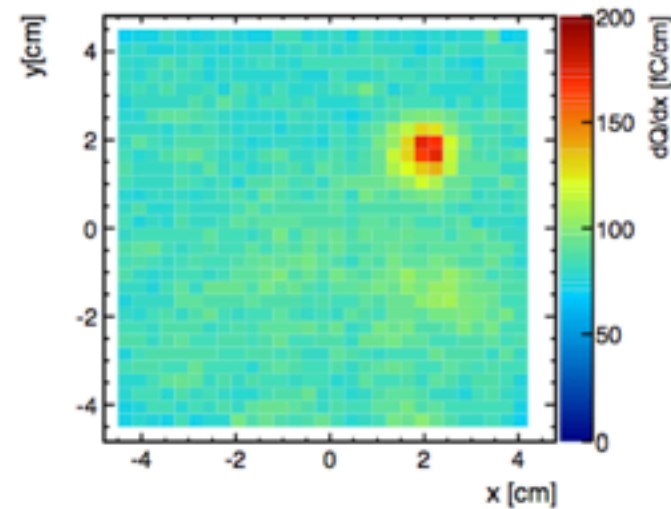
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Categorize the sites and down-select:	Sept. 2010
Start of LAGUNA-LBNO	2011
Submission of LBNO EoI to CERN 	2012
End of LAGUNA-LBNO DS: technical designs, layouts, liquids handling&storage, safety, ...	2014
Critical decision	2015 ?
Excavation-construction (incremental):	2016-2021 ?
Phase 1 LBL physics start:	2023 ?
Phase 2 incremental step implementation:	>2025 ?

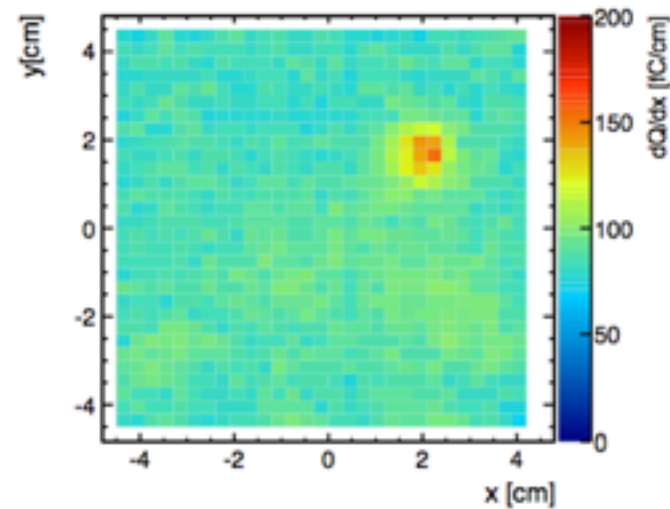
Local vs global gain evolution

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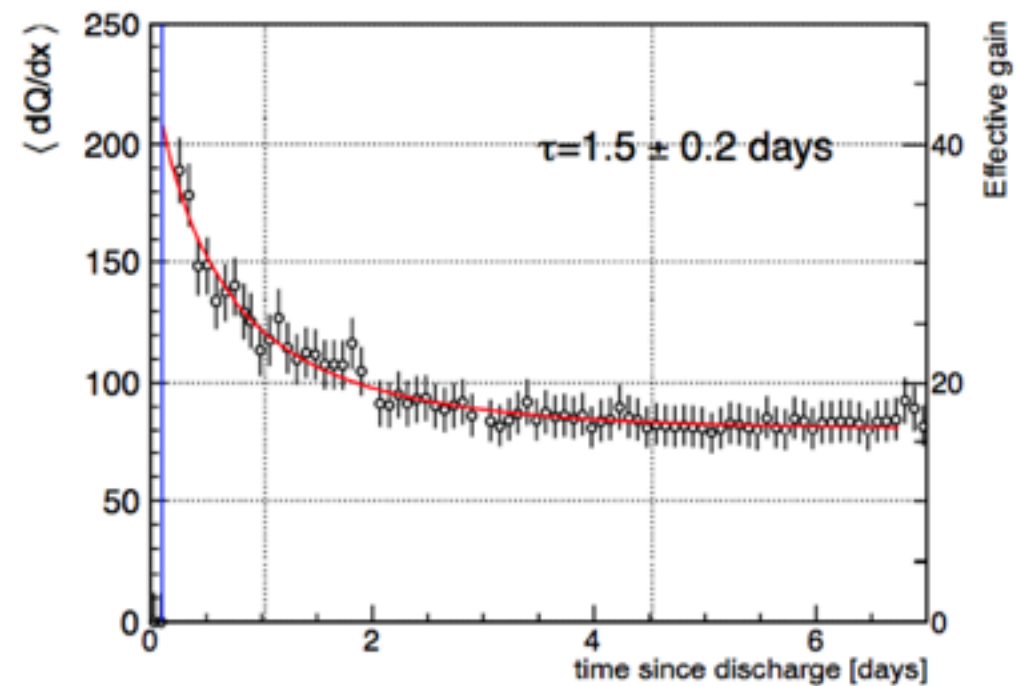
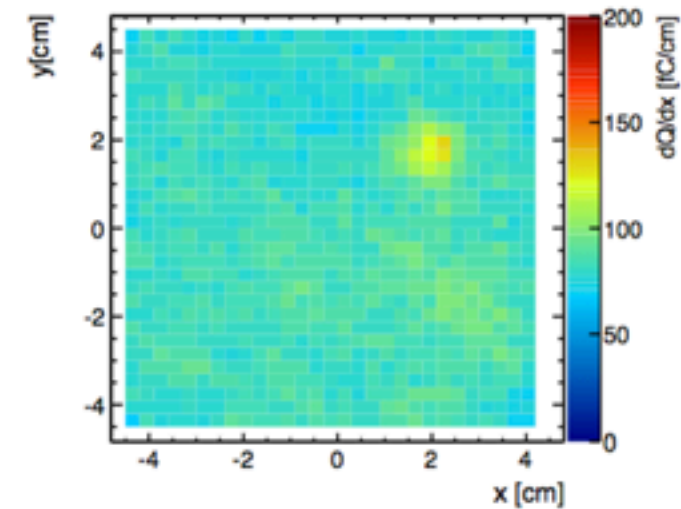
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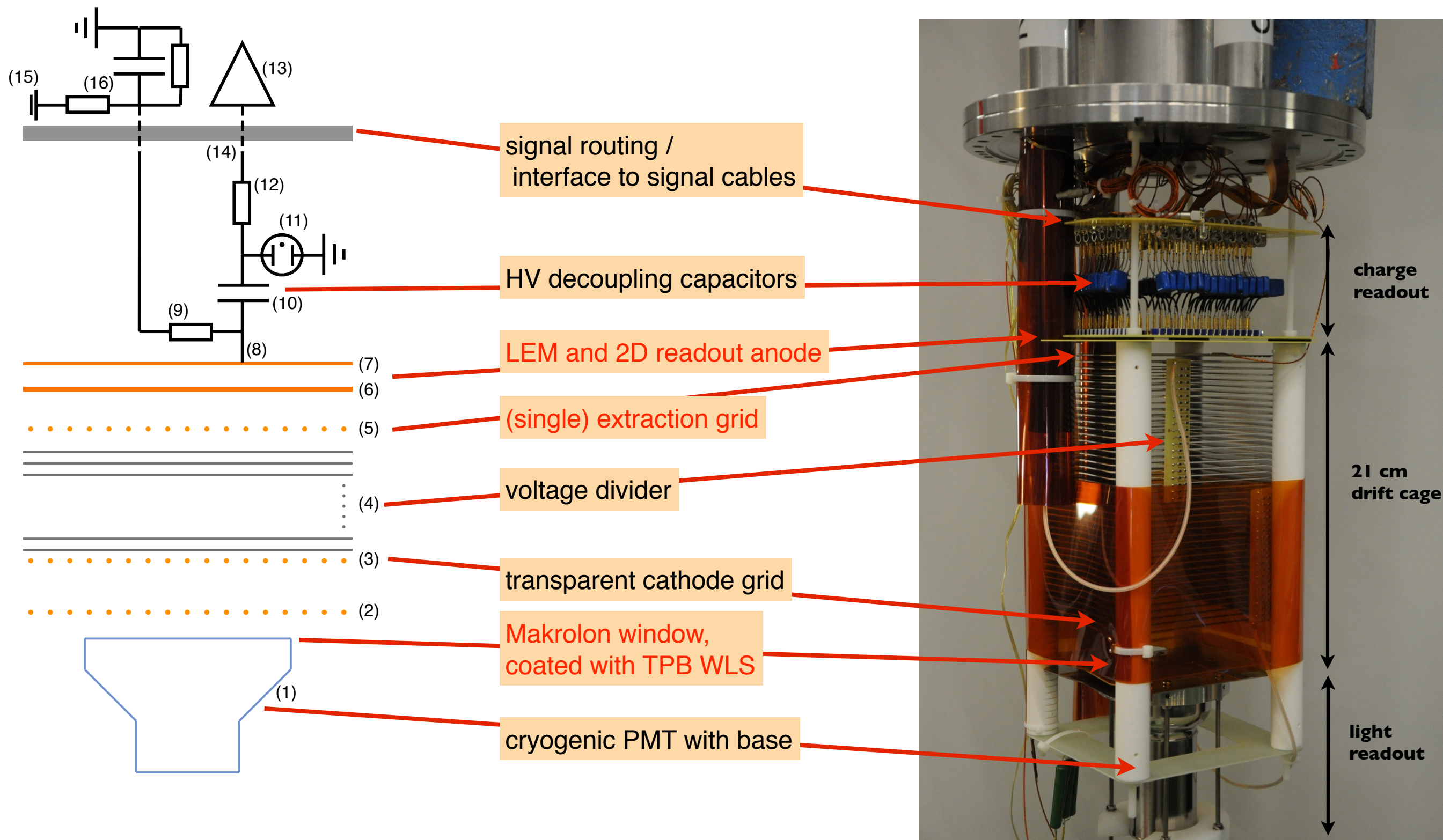
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10x10x20 cm³ prototype: overview



***Proof of principle with 10x10 cm² double phase Ar LEM-TPC prototype:**

A. Badertscher et al., “Operation of a double-phase pure argon Large Electron Multiplier Time Projection Chamber: Comparison of single and double phase operation ” NIM A617 (2010) p.188-192

A. Badertscher et al., “First operation of a double phase LAr Large Electron Multiplier Time Projection Chamber with a two-dimensional projective readout anode” NIM A641 (2011) p.48-57

***First successful operation of a 40x80 cm² device in November 2011:**

A. Badertscher et al., “First operation and drift field performance of a large area double phase LAr Electron Multiplier Time Projection Chamber with an immersed Greinacher high-voltage multiplier ” JINST 7 (2012) P08026

A. Badertscher et al., “First operation and performance of a 200 lt double phase LAr LEM-TPC with a 40x76 cm² readout”, JINST 8 (2013)P04012, available at <http://dx.doi.org/10.1088/1748-0221/8/04/P04012>

***10x10 cm² double phase Ar LEM-TPC prototype: further R&D towards final, simplified charge readout for GLACIER:**

first results presented TPC-symposium, Paris Dec. 2011

***Future:**

1x1x3 m³ prototype to test feasibility of large area readouts.

6x6x6 m³ prototype to be operated at CERN NA in a charged particle beam.

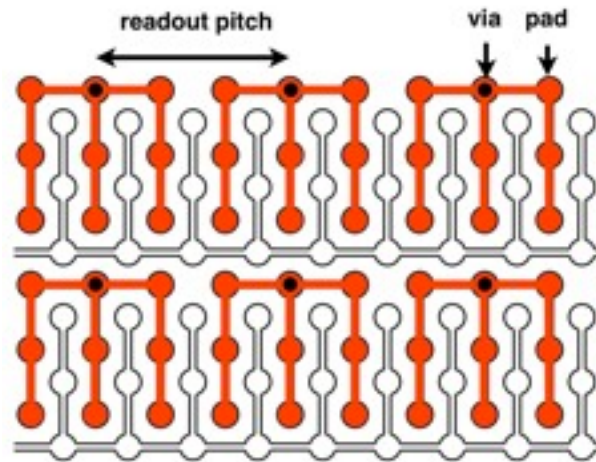
Final goal:

Giant LAr LEM TPC as far detector for a Long Baseline Neutrino Oscillation (LBNO) experiment (SPSC-EOI-007)

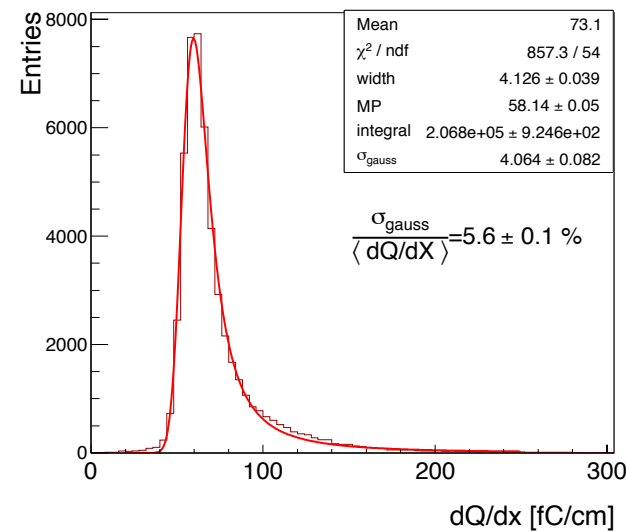
Various anode designs were tested

anode A

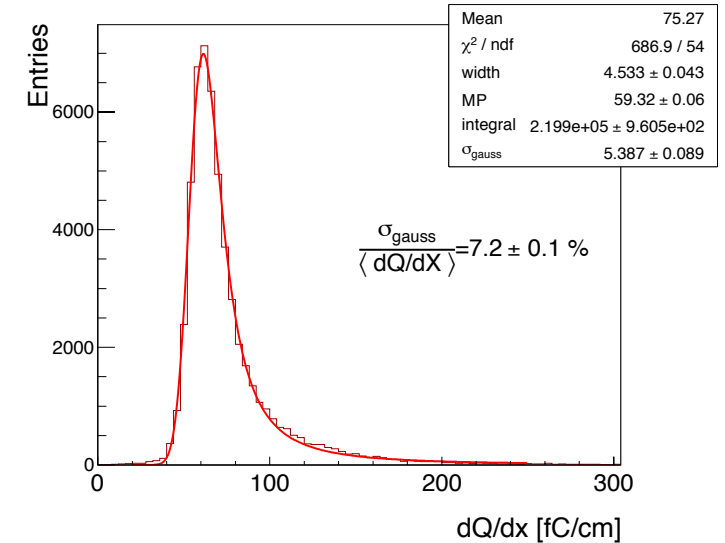
~200 pF/m



view 0 (red)

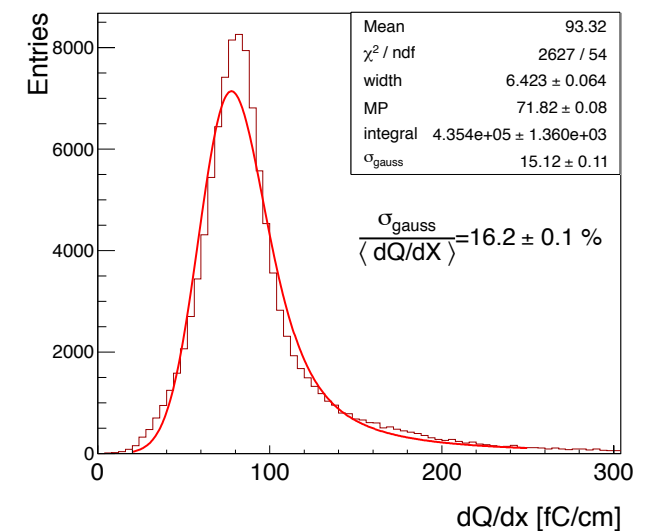
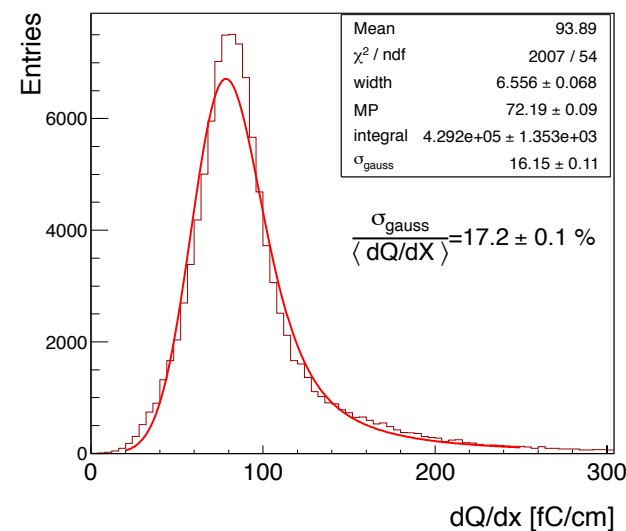
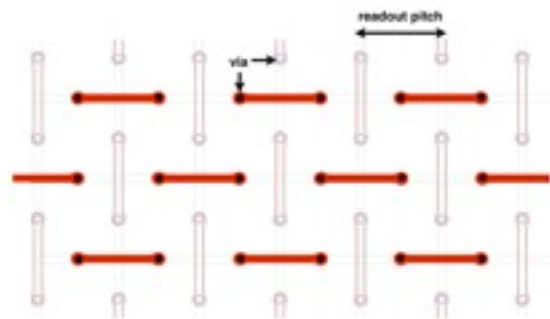


view 1 (white)



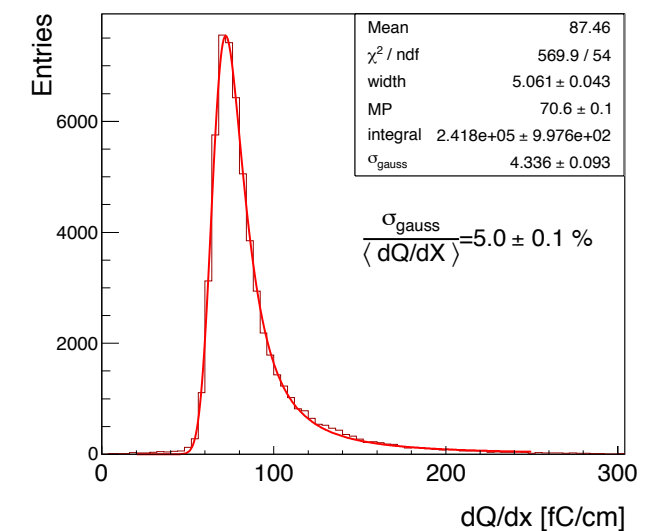
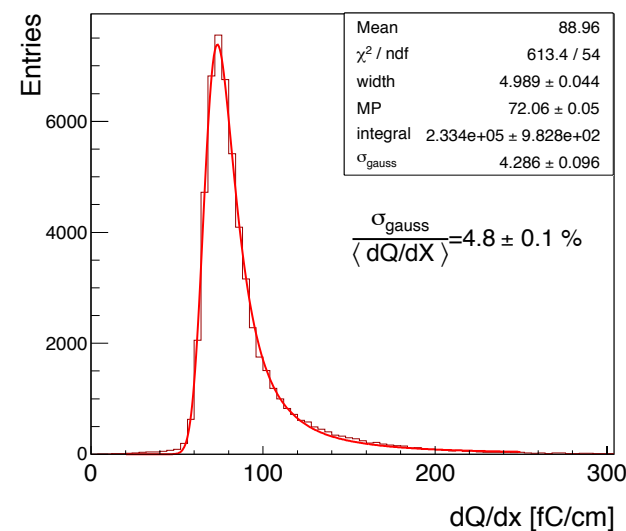
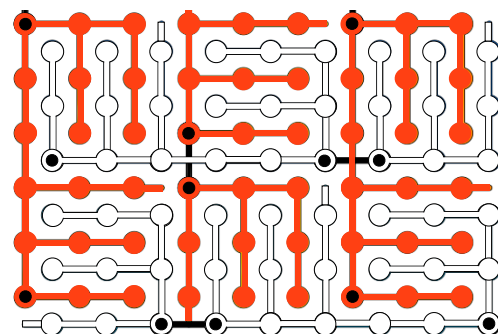
anode B

~100 pF/m



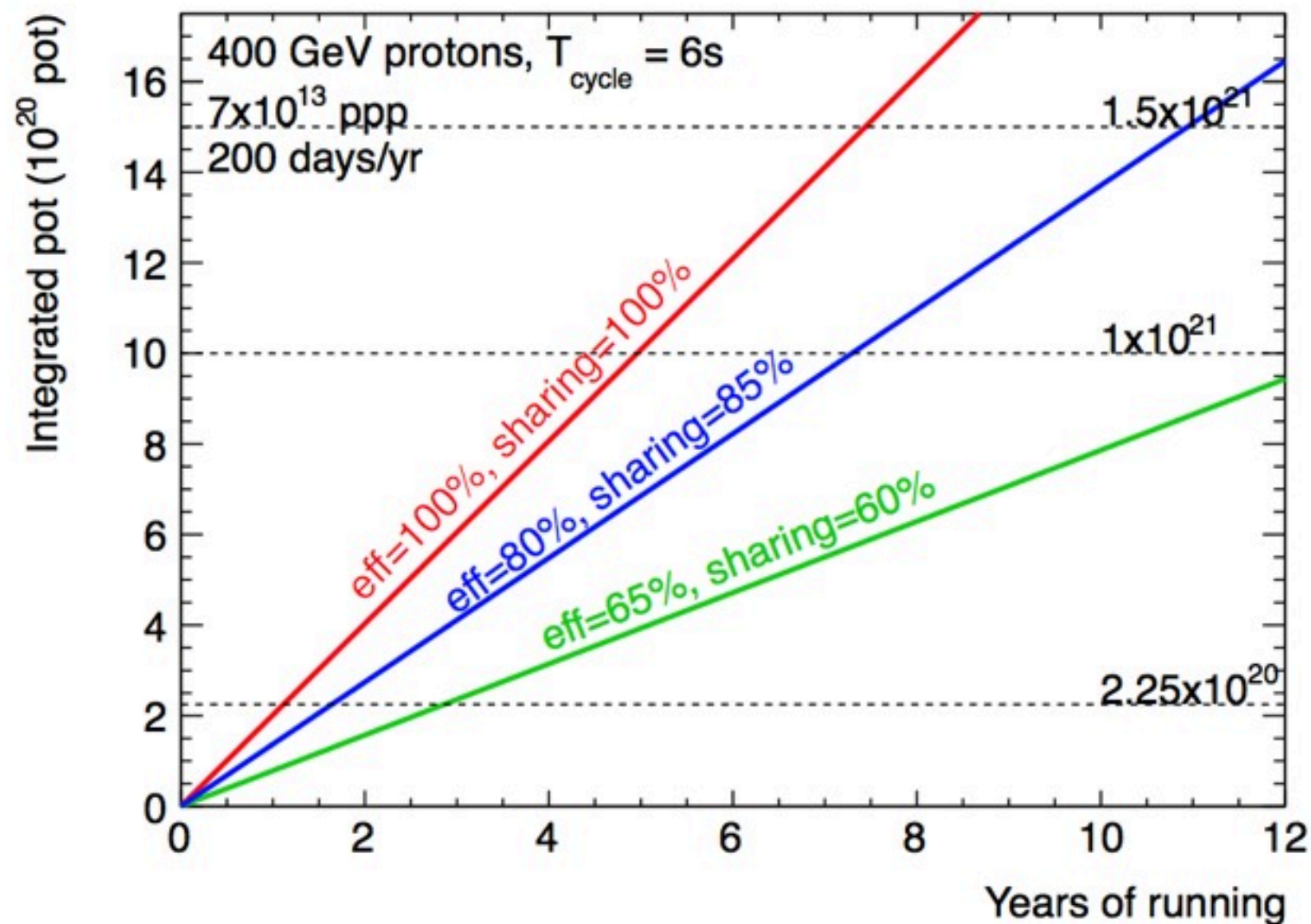
anode C

~200 pF/m



CNGS: 4.5×10^{19} protons/year (w/o sharing 7.6×10^{19} protons/year)

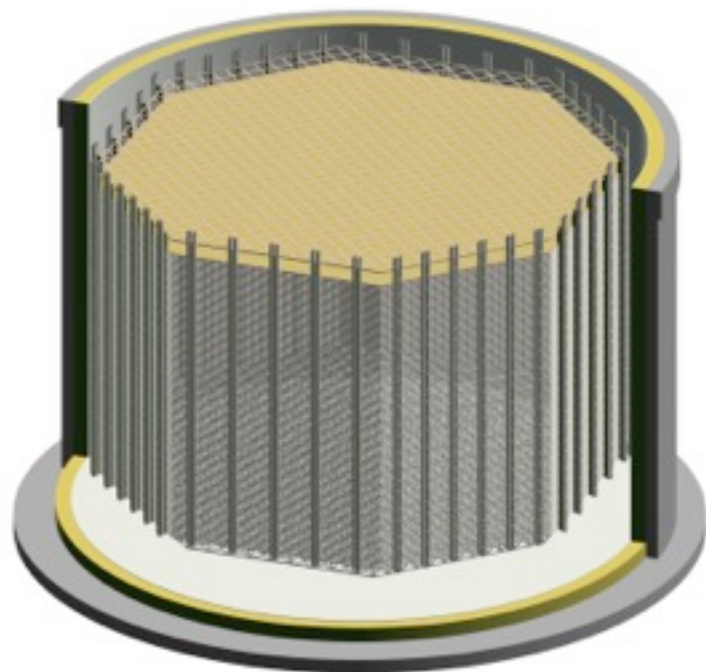
LBNO: assume 1.5×10^{21} pot in 12 year $\Rightarrow \sim 1.5 \times 10^{20}$ protons/year from improved SPS intensity (7×10^{13} ppp instead of 4×10^{13} presently) and operation sharing



✓ 60% coverage
 CP@90% C.L. maximal
 CP @ 3 sigma

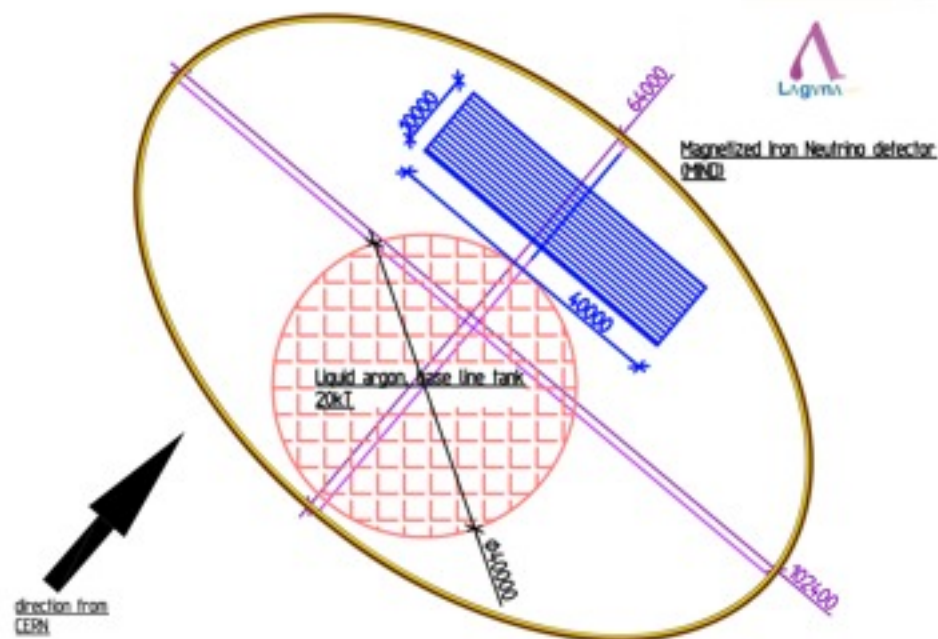
✓ 5 sigma MH

GLACIER

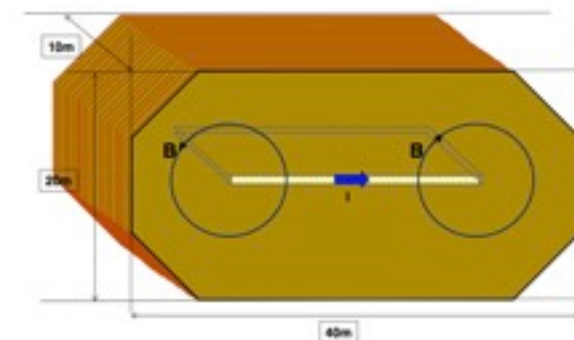


20,50 kt Double Phase LAr LEM TPC

- * Low energy threshold: exclusive final states
- * Low systematic error
- * Excellent energy resolution on a wide energy range
- * Excellent π^0/e separation: necessary to suppress NC background



MIND



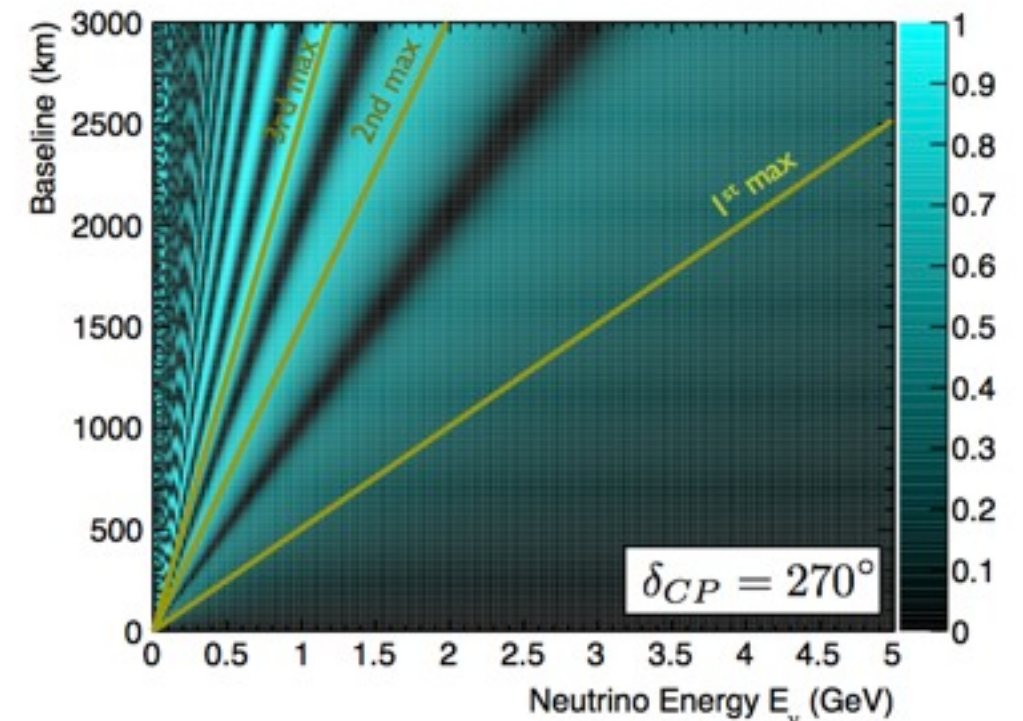
35 kt Magnetized Muon Detector

(3 cm Fe, 1 cm scint. bars, 1.5-2.5 T)

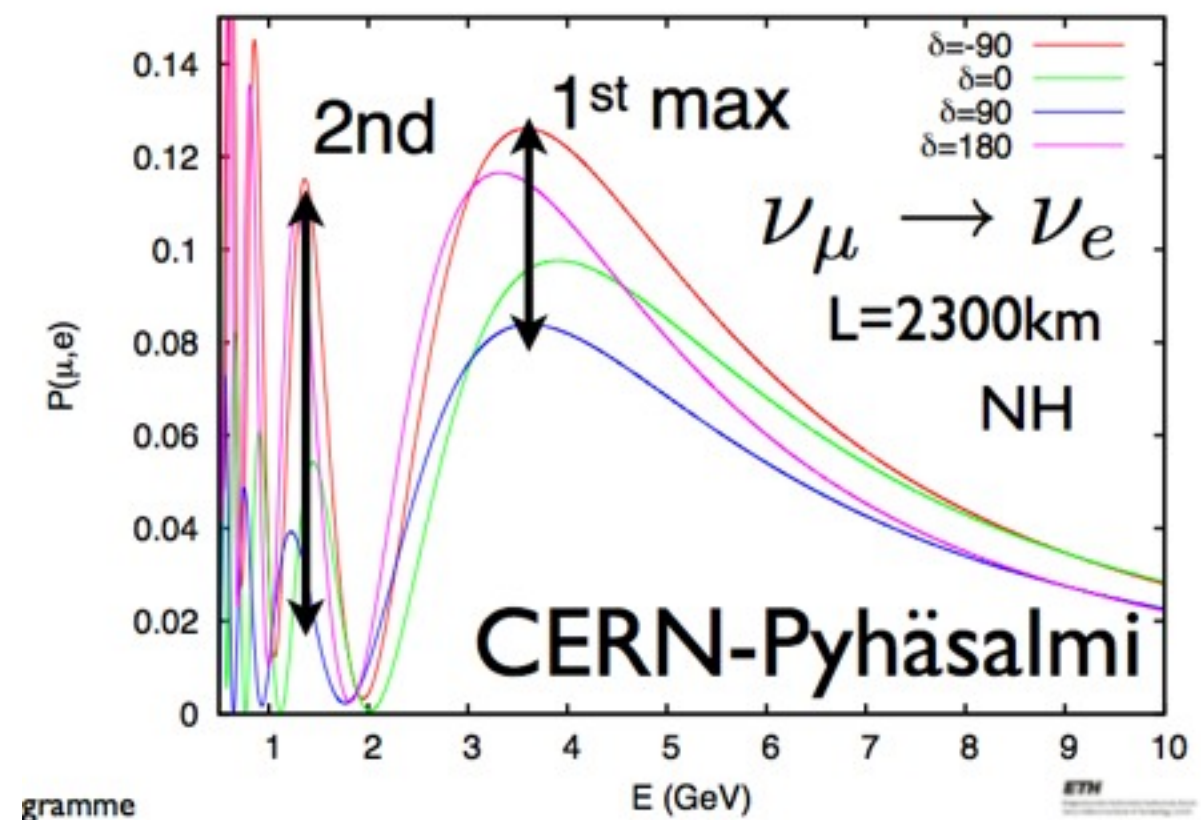
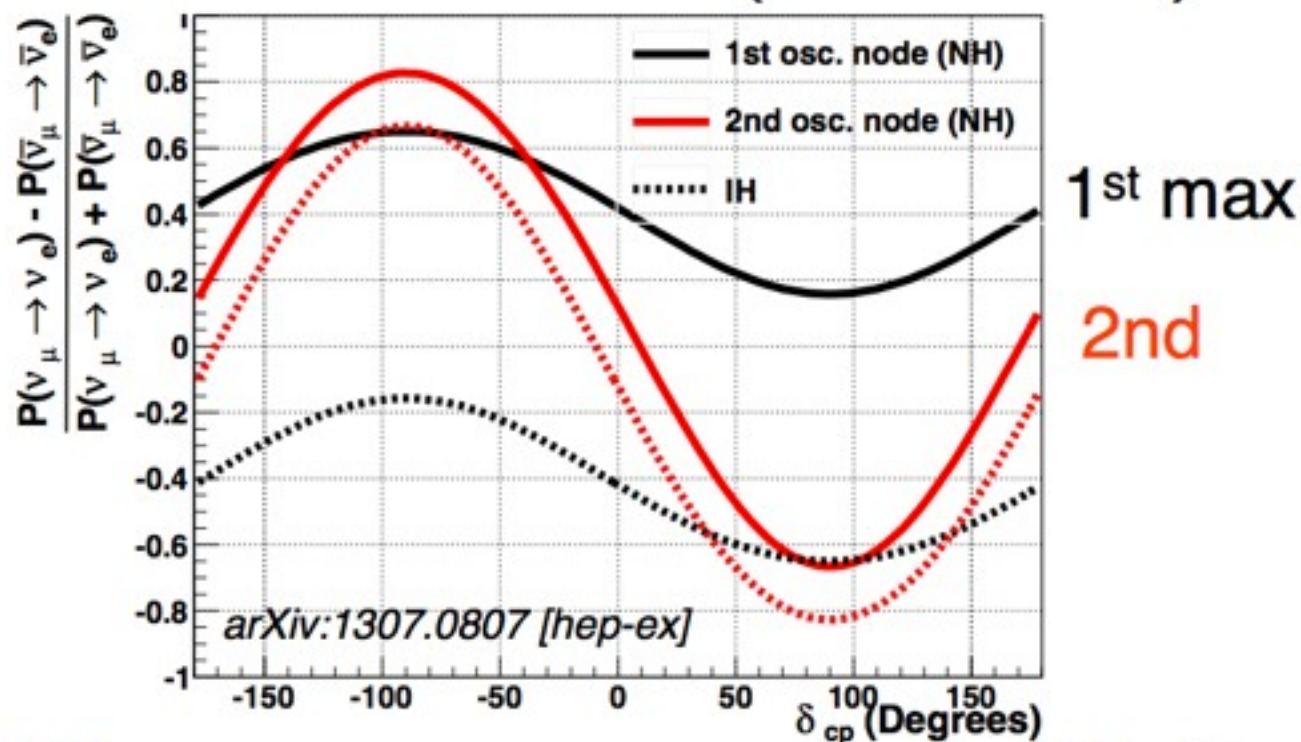
- * Muon momentum and charge
- * inclusive neutrino energy rec.

$$\left. \frac{P(\nu) - P(\bar{\nu})}{P(\nu) + P(\bar{\nu})} \right|_{a=0} \approx -\frac{2s_\delta c_{12}s_{12}}{s_{13}} \cot \theta_{23} \frac{\delta m_{21}^2 L}{2E}$$

Growing CP effect with $L/E \Rightarrow$ CP asymmetries larger for 2nd, 3rd .. maxima
Long baseline (>1000 km) needed



FNAL \rightarrow homestake (1300 km)



Enhanced CP effect at 2nd maximum

- Matter- and pure CP-terms are disentangled by their different L/E dependence and by the growing CP effect with L/E:

$$\mathcal{A} \equiv P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e) - P(\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e) =$$

$$16 \frac{a}{\delta m_{31}^2} \sin^2 \frac{\delta m_{31}^2 L}{4E} c_{13}^2 s_{13}^2 s_{23}^2 (1 - 2s_{13}^2)$$

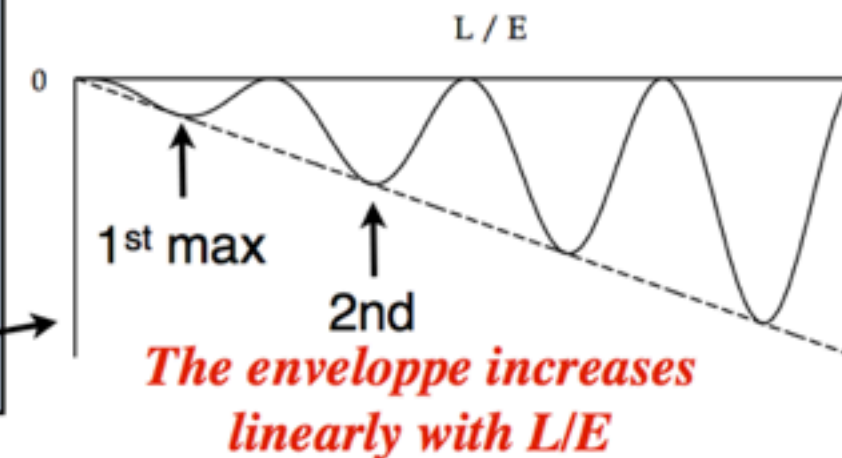
Matter terms

$$- 4 \frac{aL}{2E} \sin \frac{\delta m_{31}^2 L}{2E} c_{13}^2 s_{13}^2 s_{23}^2 (1 - 2s_{13}^2)$$

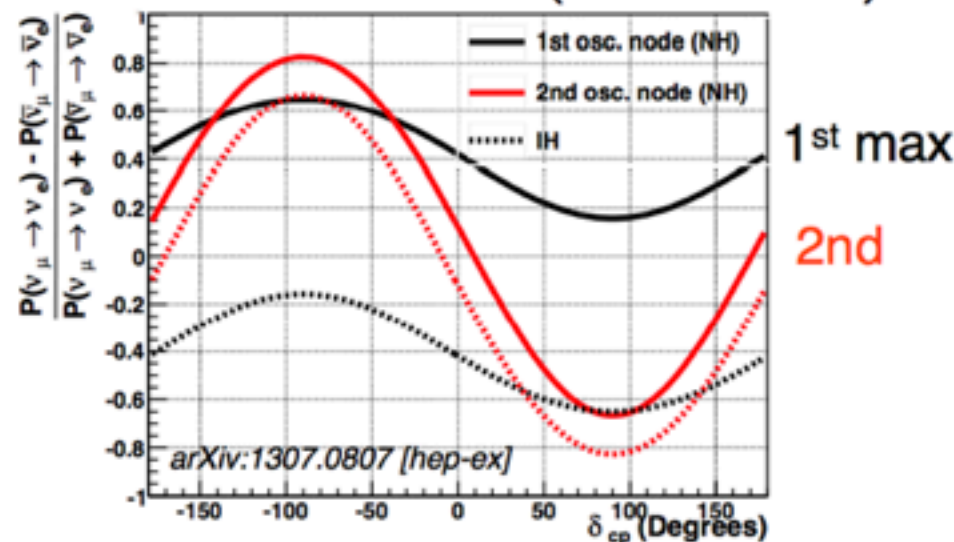
$$- 8 \frac{\delta m_{21}^2 L}{2E} \sin^2 \frac{\delta m_{31}^2 L}{4E} s_{13}^2 c_{13}^2 s_{13} c_{23} s_{23} c_{12} s_{12}$$

Pure CP-term

$$\left. \frac{P(\nu) - P(\bar{\nu})}{P(\nu) + P(\bar{\nu})} \right|_{a=0} \approx - \frac{2s_\delta c_{12} s_{12}}{s_{13}} \cot \theta_{23} \frac{\delta m_{21}^2 L}{2E}$$

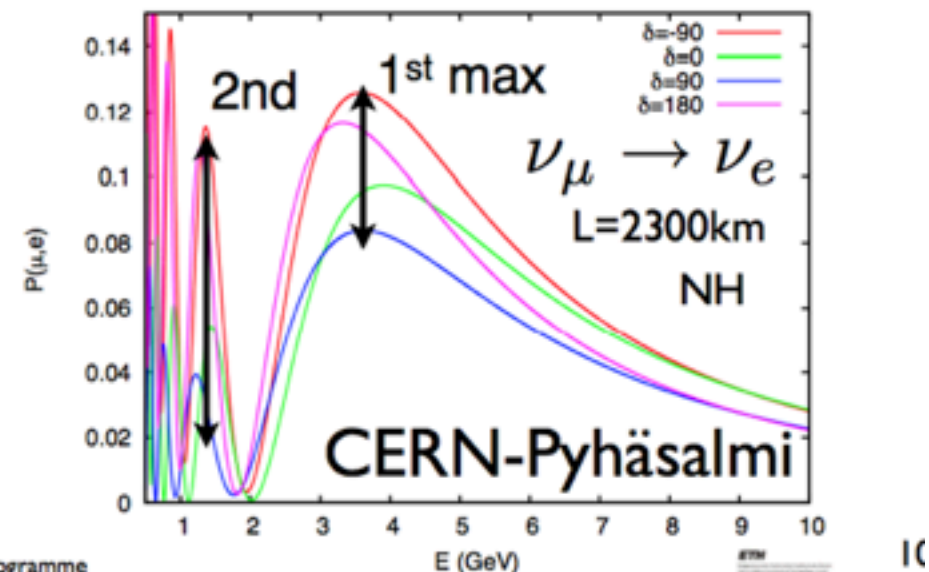


FNAL-Homestake (L=1300km)



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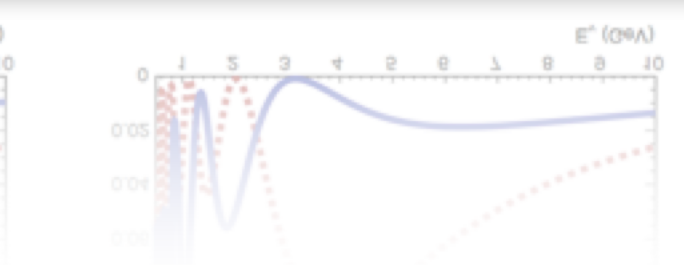
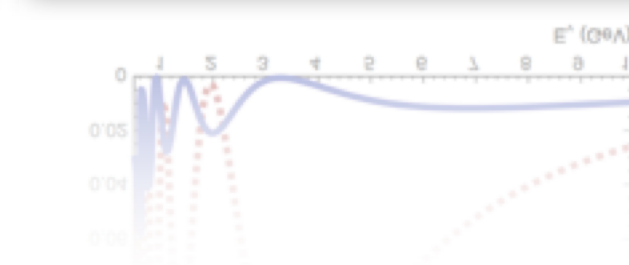
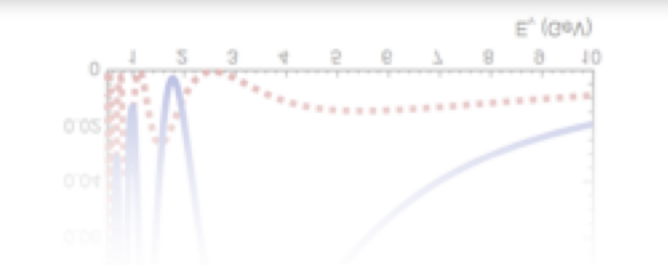
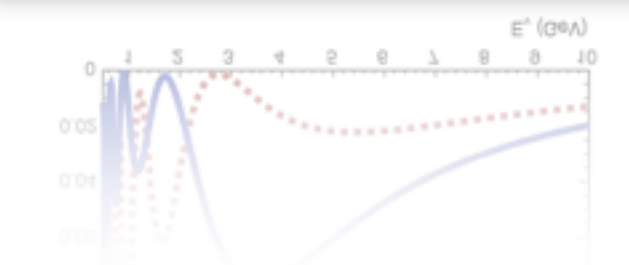
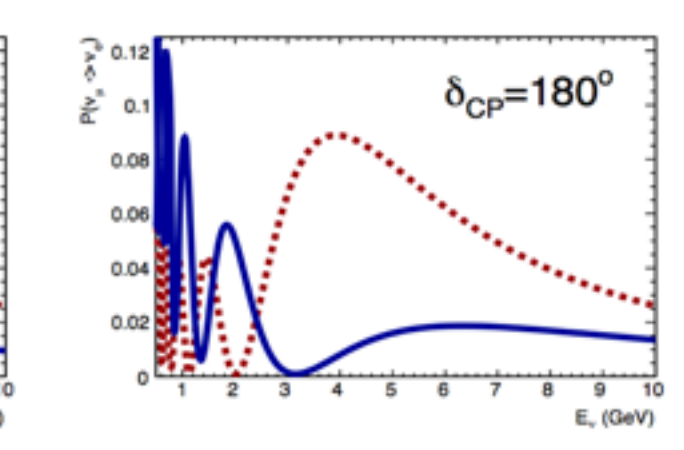
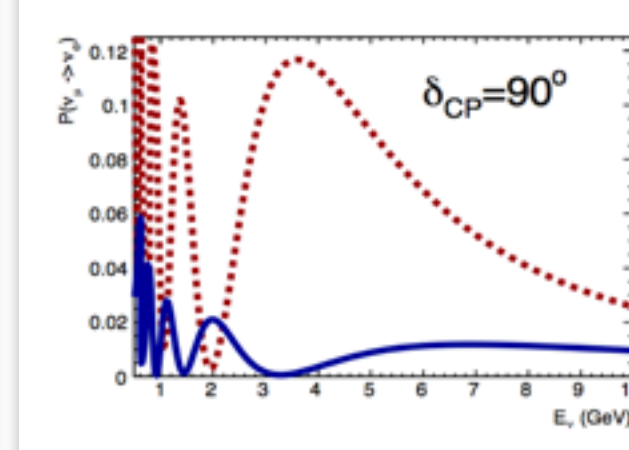
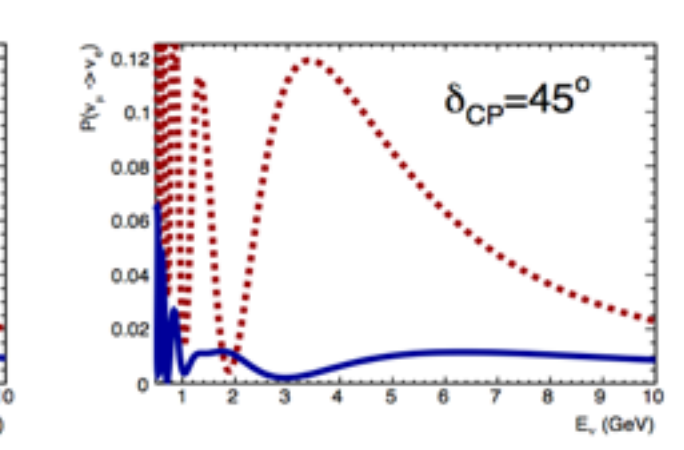
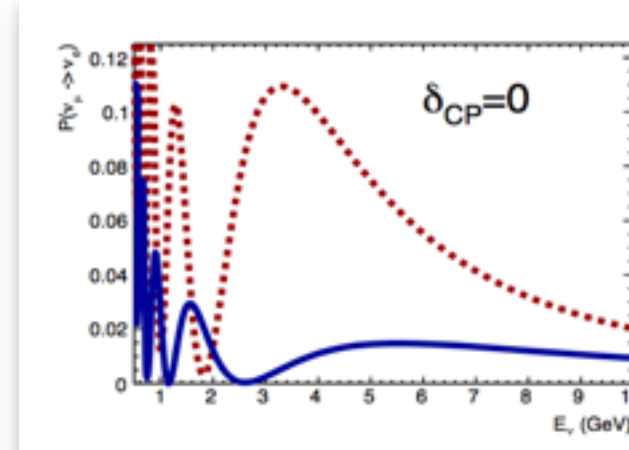
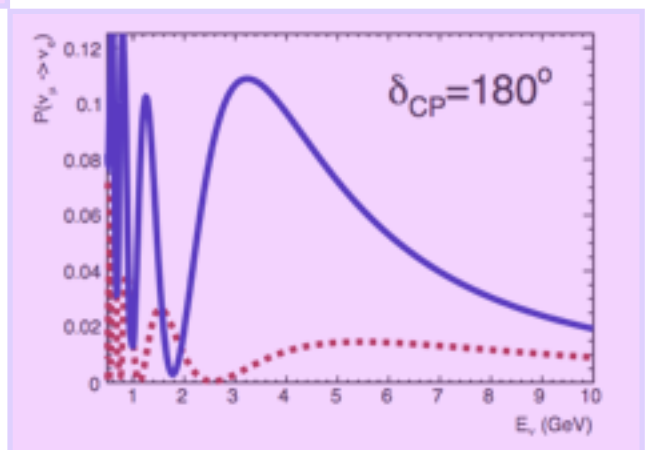
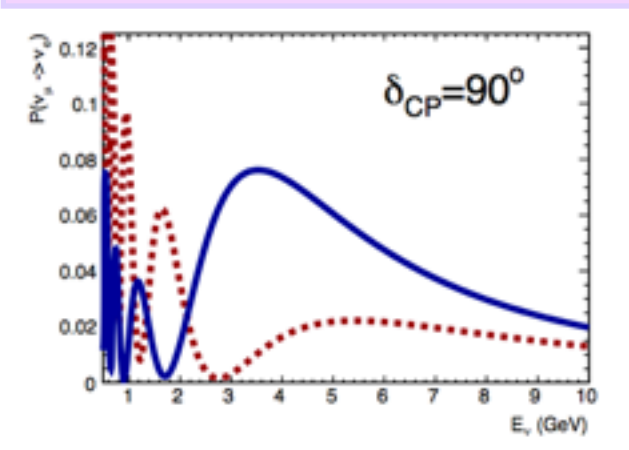
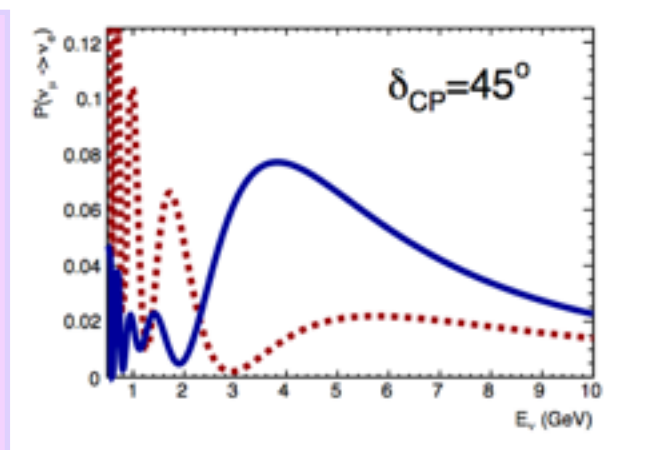
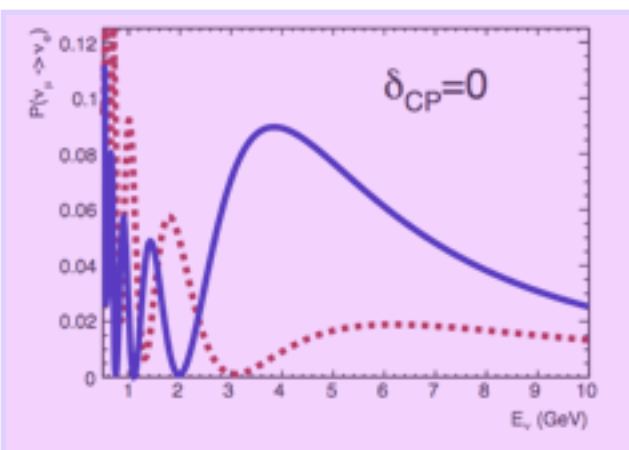


IC

- Long baseline=>complete swap between neutrinos and antineutrinos
- spectral information provides unambiguous determination of osc para and allows to distinguish the two CP conserving scenarios

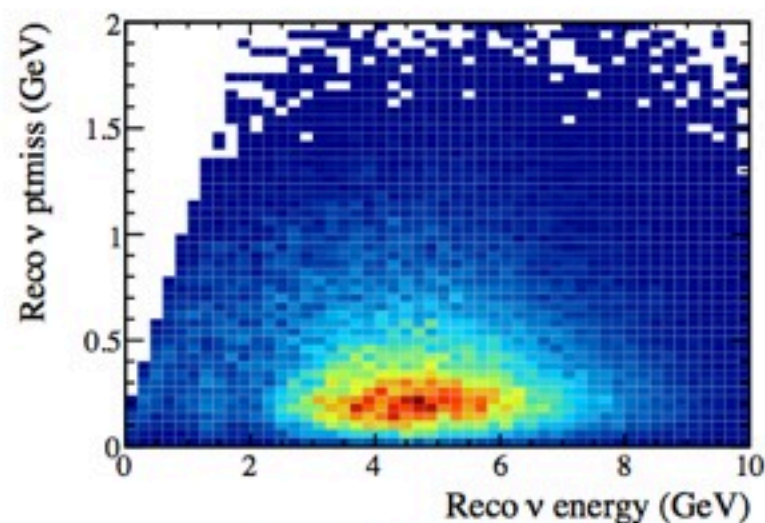
NH

IH

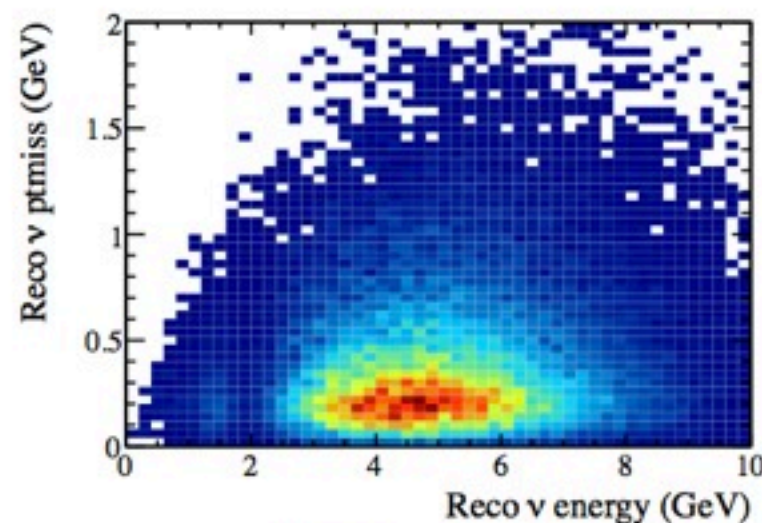


Beam	ν_μ unosc. CC	ν_μ osc. CC	ν_e beam CC	ν_μ NC	$\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\tau$ CC	$\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$ CC $\delta_{CP} = -\pi/2, \quad 0, \quad \pi/2$		
LBNO: 2300 km, NH 400 GeV, 750 kW 1.5×10^{20} POT/year								
50kt years ν	4128	1086	26	1416	258	295	241	194
50kt years $\bar{\nu}$	1538	396	6	650	117	21	32	35
LBNO: 2300 km, IH 400 GeV, 750 kW 1.5×10^{20} POT/year								
50kt years ν	4128	1022	26	1416	286	85	52	38
50kt years $\bar{\nu}$	1538	396	6	650	119	74	92	107
LBNO: 2300, NH km 50 GeV, 2 MW 3.0×10^{21} POT/year								
50kt years ν	10317	2713	65	3538	646	737	602	486
50kt years $\bar{\nu}$	3981	991	15	1628	298	53	78	87
LBNO: 2300 km, IH 50 GeV, 2 MW 3.0×10^{21} POT/year								
50kt years ν	10317	2553	65	3538	714	212	131	95
50kt years $\bar{\nu}$	3981	991	15	1628	298	185	230	268
LBNE low energy beam 80 GeV, 700 kW 9×10^{20} POT/year								
50 kt-years ν	7421	2531	63	1953	91	353	280	204
50 kt-years $\bar{\nu}$	2478	812	20	876	28	30	50	62

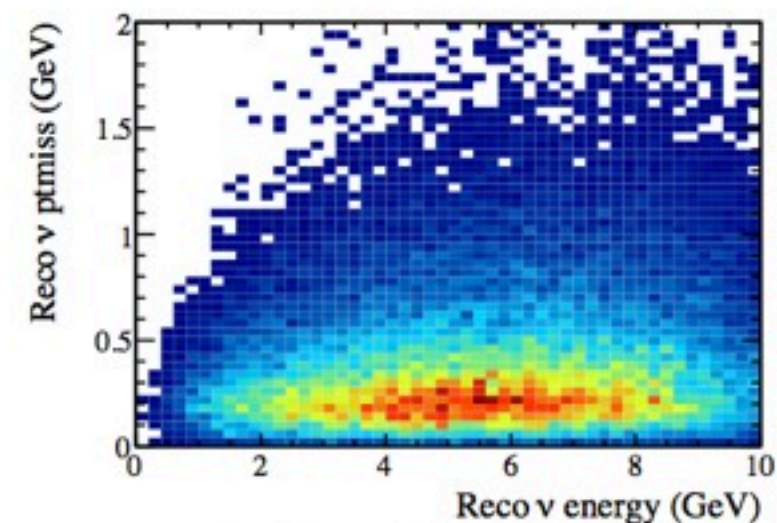
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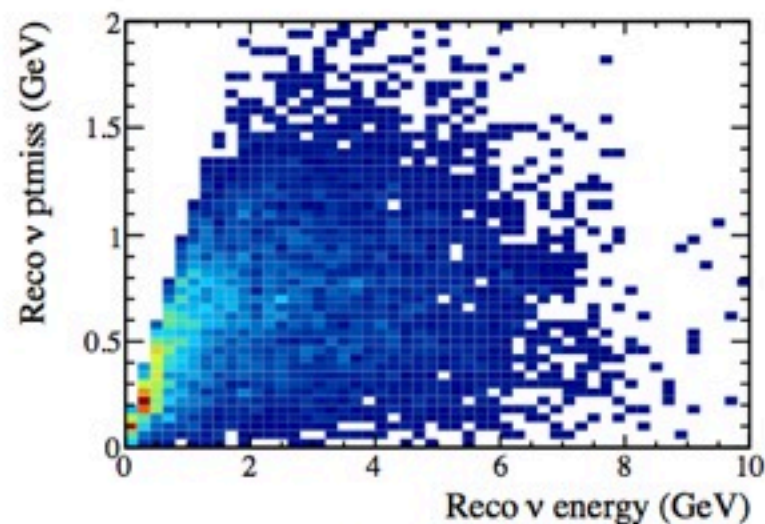
(a) All e-like



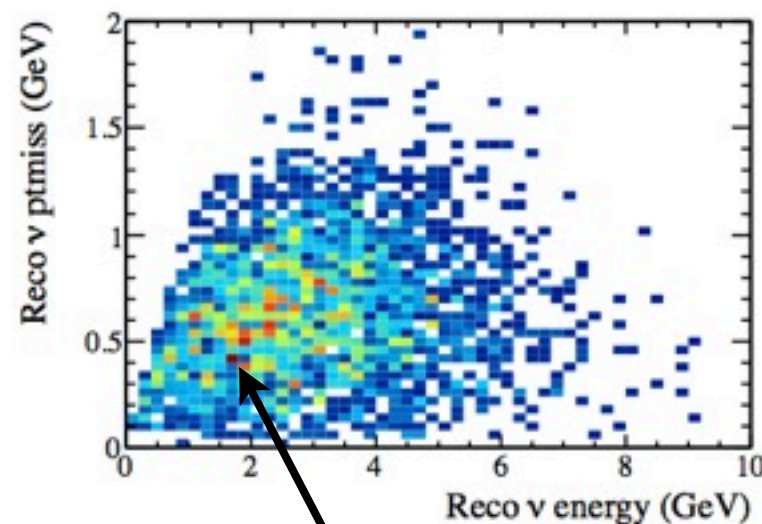
(b) Signal ν_e



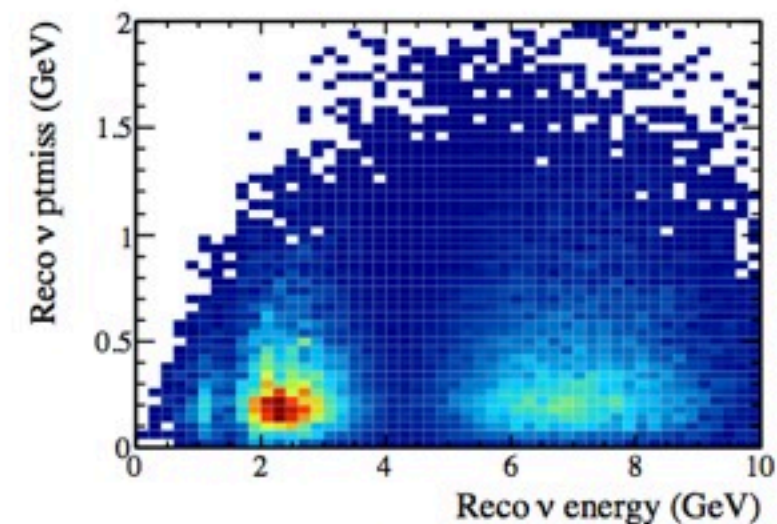
(c) Intrinsic ν_e



(d) $\text{NC}\pi^0$



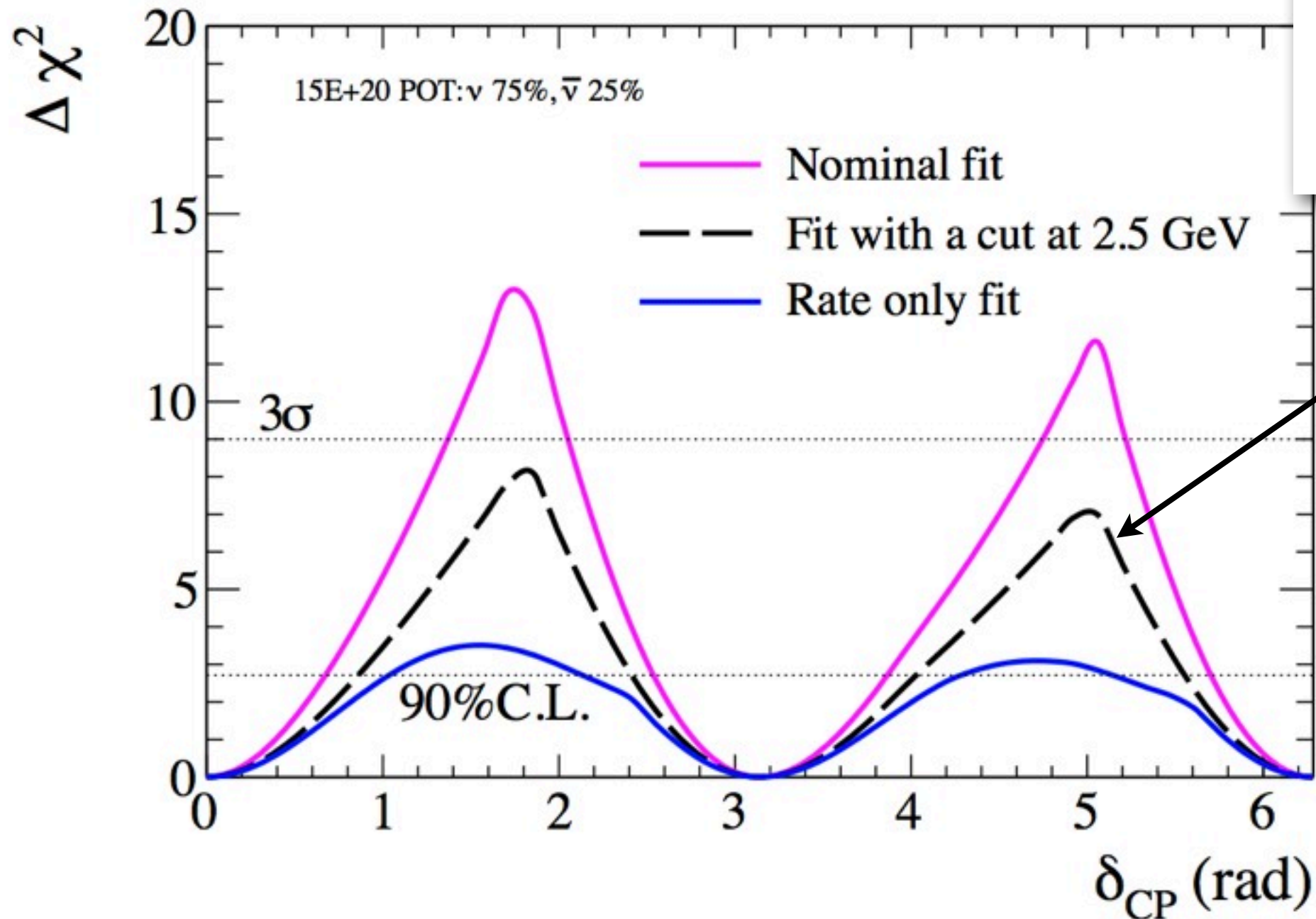
(e) $\nu_\tau \rightarrow e$ contamination



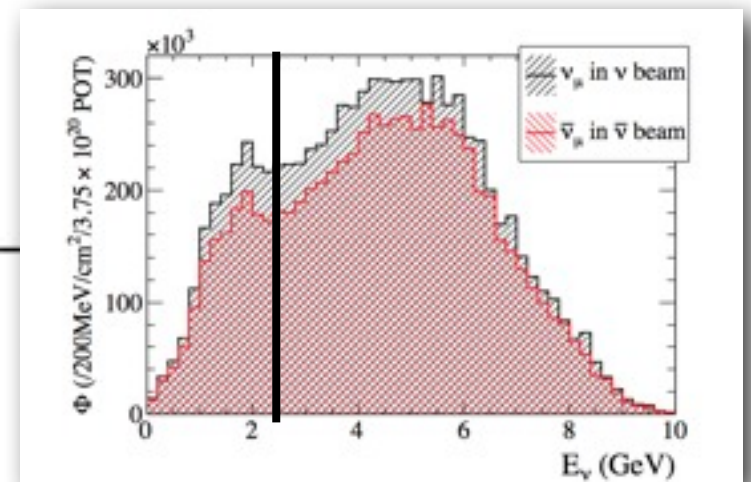
(f) Mis-id ν_μ

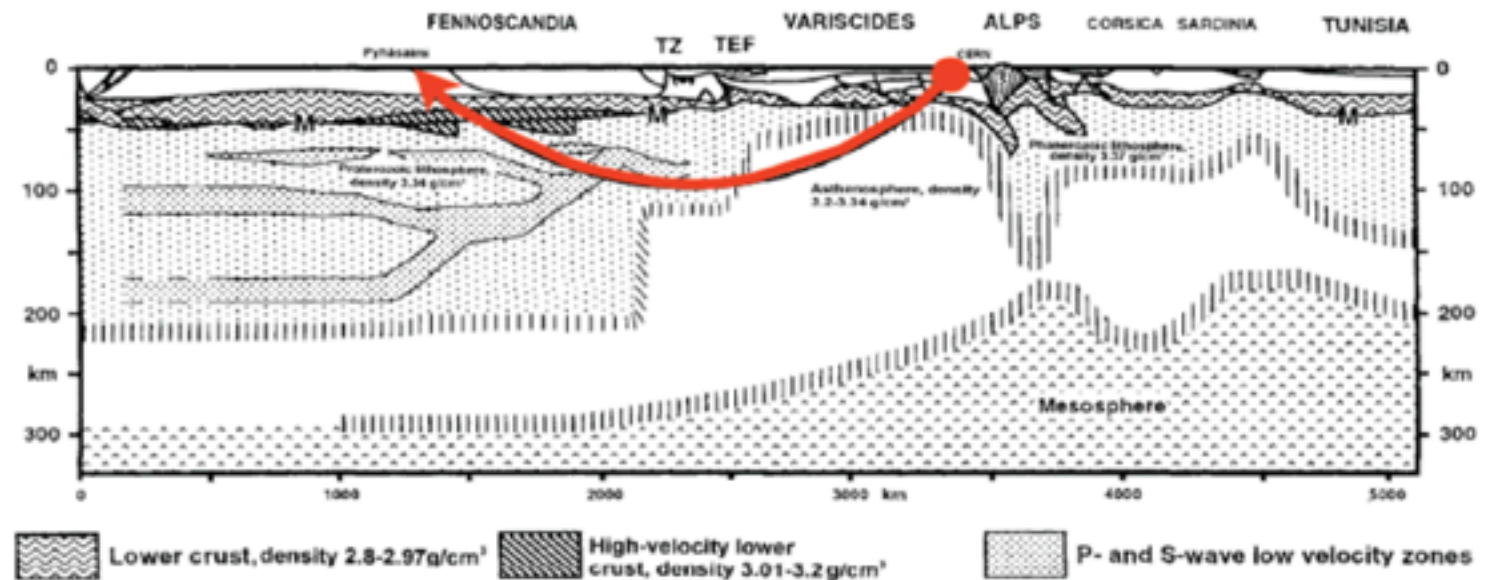
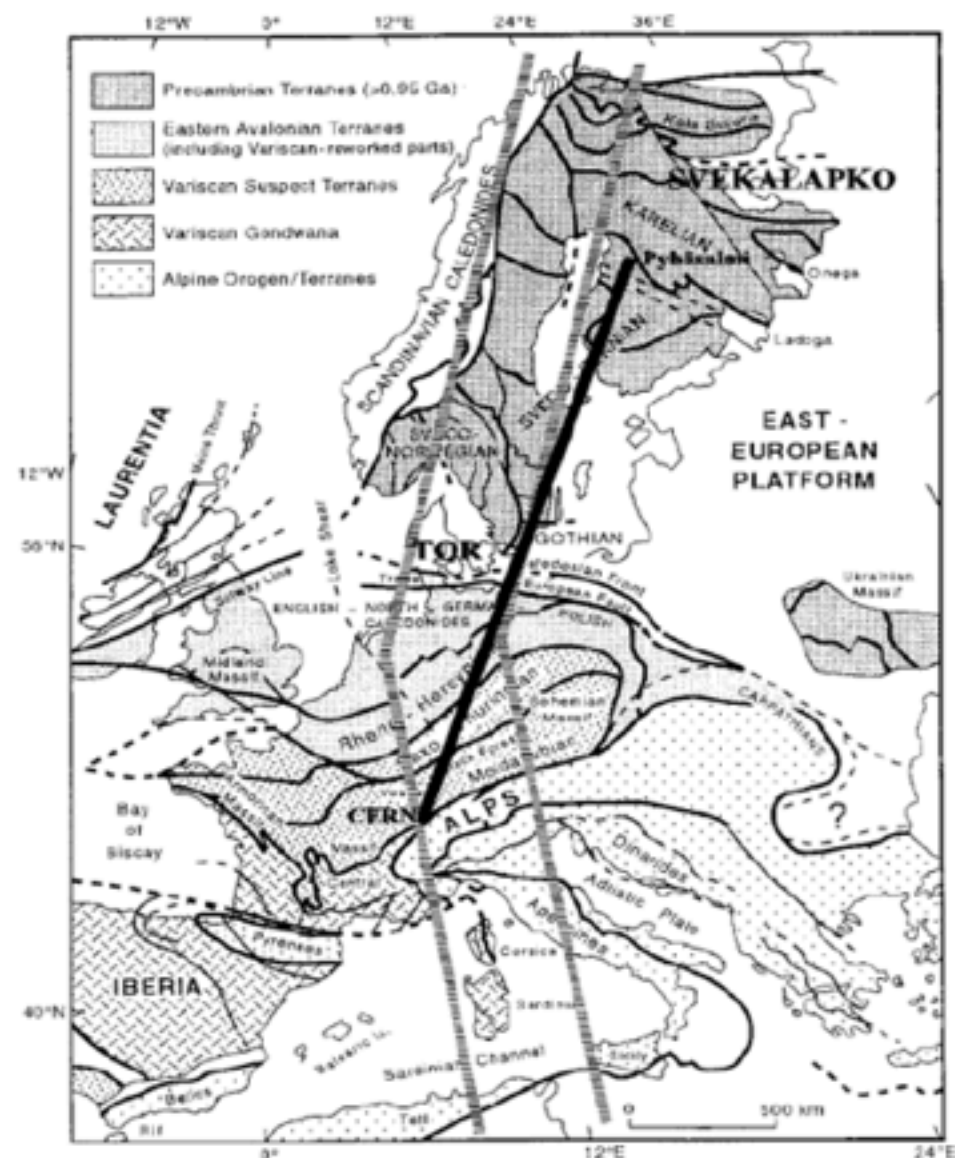
larger pt_miss because fo two v in final state

Use all spectral information: Rate & Shape for energy range 1st - 2nd max

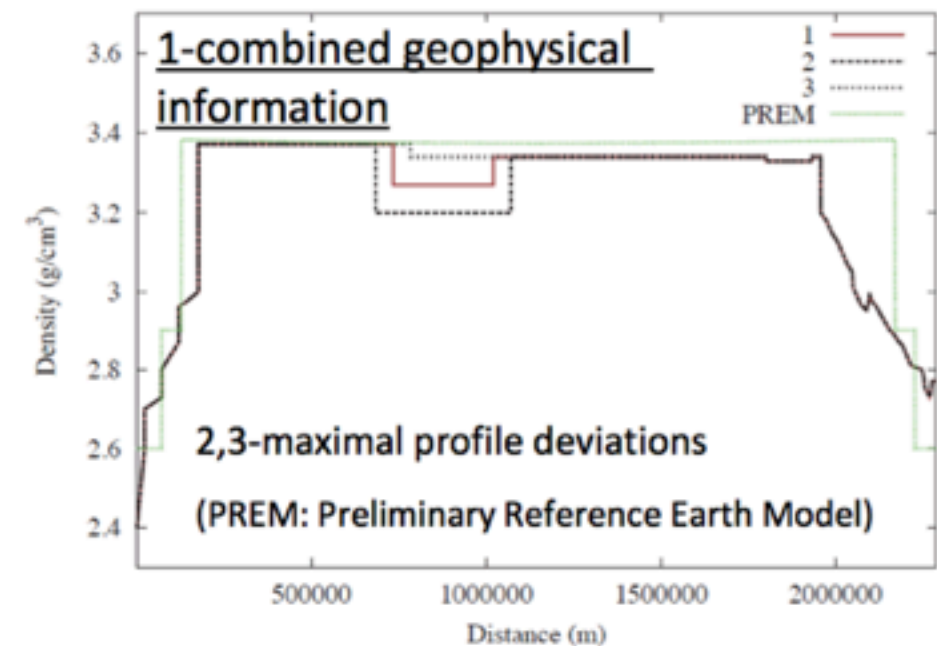


w/ 2nd maximum

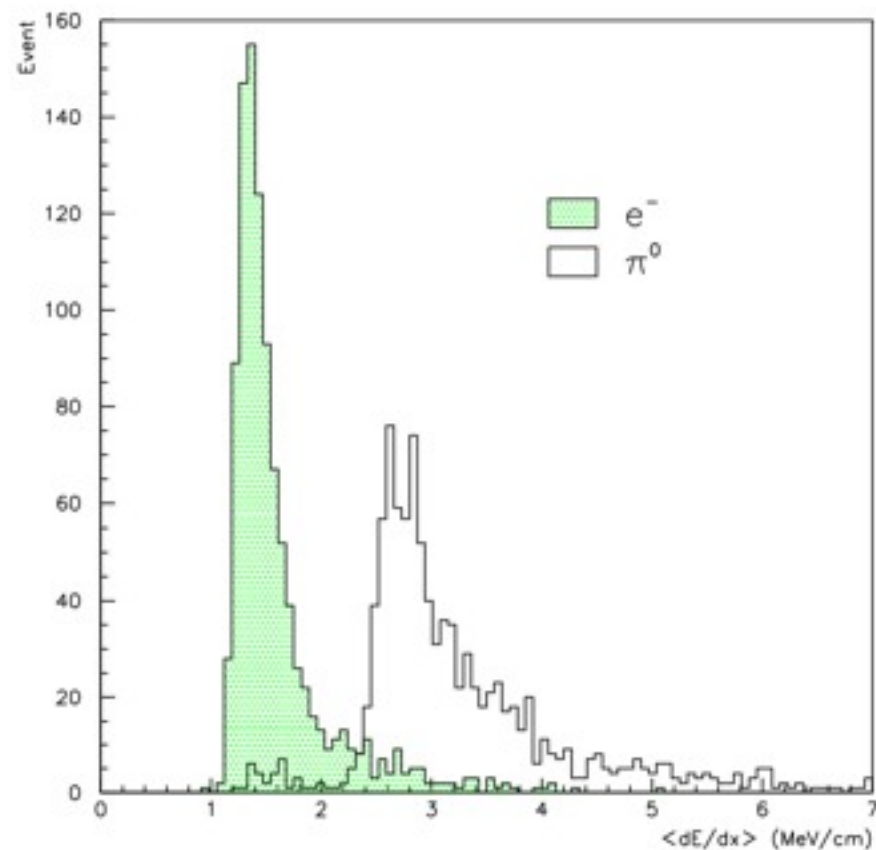
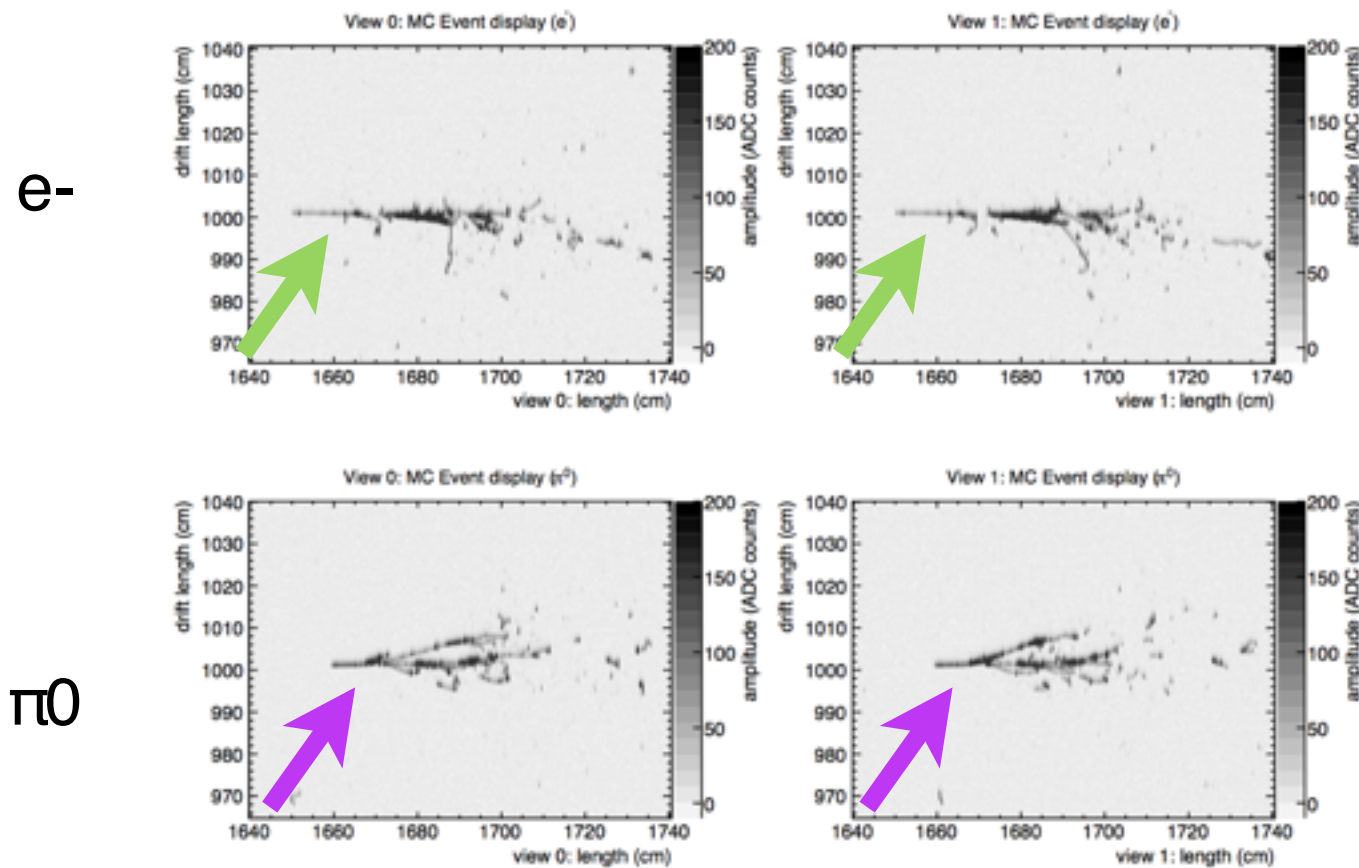




Earth Density Profile
Measured by several
Geophysical projects
 $2.4 < \rho < 3.4 \text{ g/cm}^3$

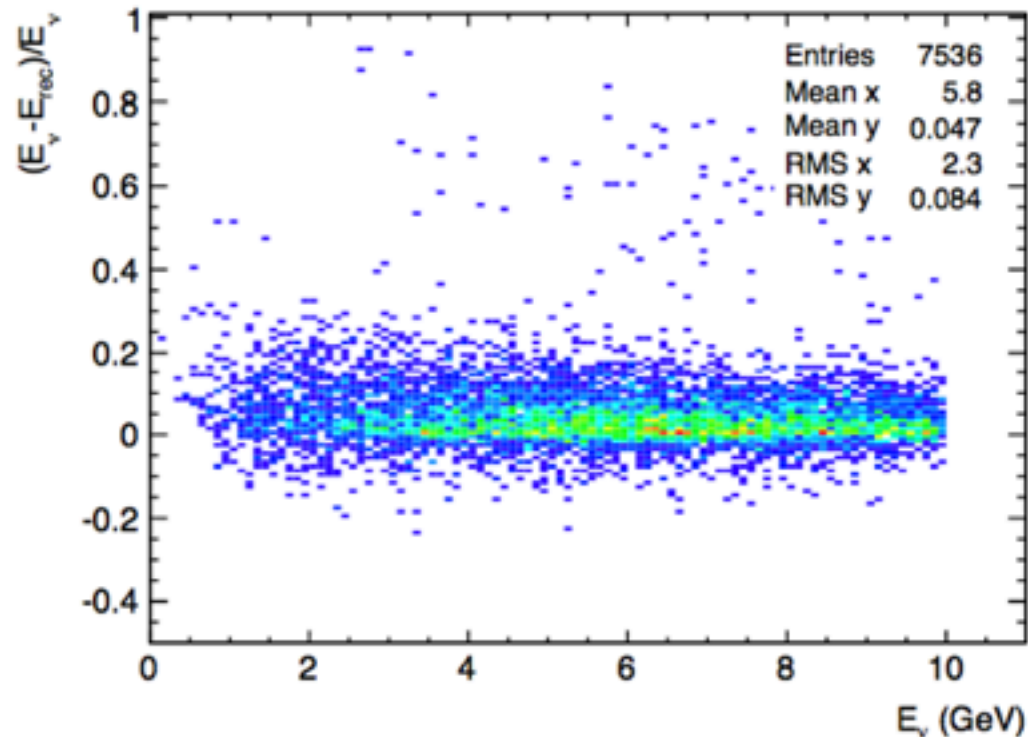
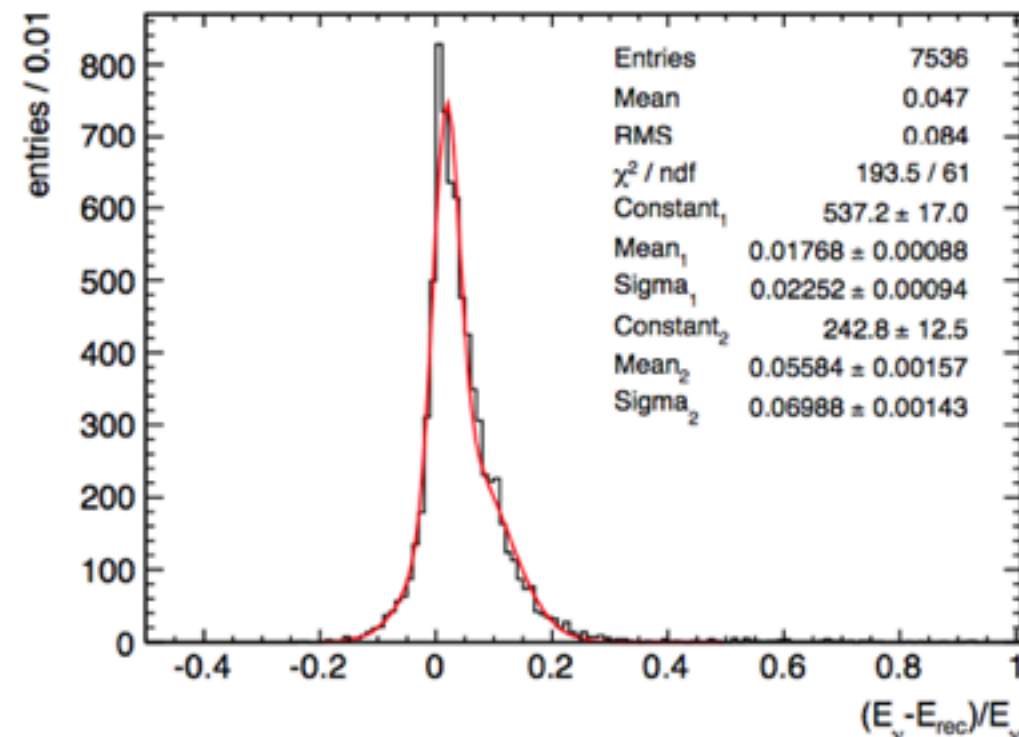
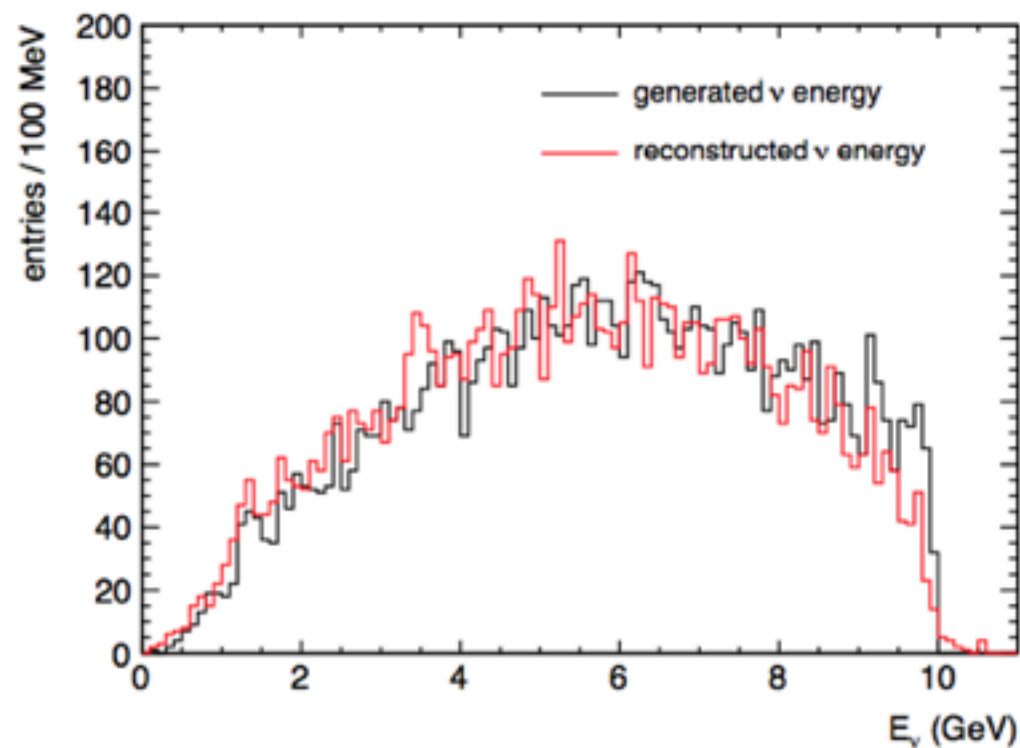


- ❑ The v line of flight is comprised in a geological section extensively studied in the past
 - mean density variations known with high accuracy
- ❑ Local density variations are estimated to be of about 5%
 - total effect on oscillation probability averages out
 - conservative approach is to assume $\pm 4\%$ syst. error (global mean shift)



dE/dx of first 30 reconstructed hits

Energy (GeV)	π^0 contamination (%)	$\langle dE/dx \rangle_{cut}$ (MeV/cm)
0.25	6.5	2.13
0.5	5.5	2.19
1	3.7	2.21
2	2.7	2.10



- tracking done with GEANT4, including electron ion recombination
- event vertex placed in the center of the detector (all events are fully contained!)

$(E_\nu - E_{rec})/E_\nu$ RMS=8.4%

Stability of the gain

Gain in the LEM depends on: * density of the gas (=pressure, temperature)
 * the electric field across the LEM

Well described by the function:

$$G(t) = trans. \times e^{x \cdot \alpha(p, T, E)} \times \frac{1}{1 - e^{-t/\tau}} \quad \text{with} \quad \alpha(p, T, E) = \frac{Ap}{T} e^{-\frac{Bp}{E}}$$

